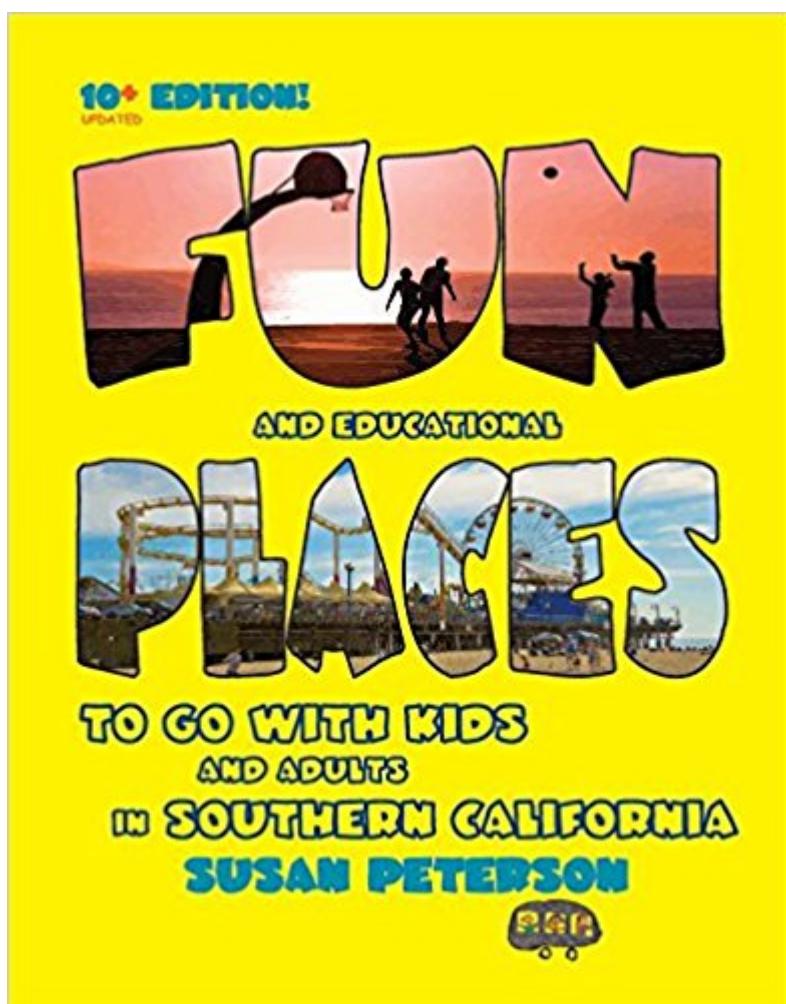


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Fun And Educational Places To Go With Kids And Adults In Southern California, 10+ Edition



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This 10+ edition is a comprehensive guide through Los Angeles, Orange County, Santa Barbara County, and then some! Have fun using this book to entertain, enjoy, and explore with your child.

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Customer Reviews

Susan Peterson's Fun Places guidebook is absolutely the best of its kind: entertaining, concise, accurate and up to date. Reading Fun Places is like having Susan and her family take you to all these marvelous activities in person, and you'll find no more enjoyable companions anywhere.

Guaranteed fun for your whole family! --Jim Weiss, award winning storyteller, author, and recording artistAs a travel industry professional. I find Susan Peterson's book to be my #1 reference when designing group tours & outings for families in So California. --Daniel McCullom - Director of Operations Pack the Kids, Family Tour AdventuresOver 20 copies of Fun and Educational Places are continually checked out in the Orange County Public Library system; we can't keep them on the shelves! Children's librarians feel confident referring parents to this title. It is perfect for planning local inexpensive family outings --Elke Faraci- Sr Administrative Librarian --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

Susan Peterson was a columnist for the Los Angeles Times, and has been featured on radio and television. She is a gifted and animated speaker who shares her expertise with various groups around the Southland. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

This is a wonderful resource that has all sorts of gems and suggestions. The book is well organized by county/region/type of place and the index gives you the option to search by price, area or specific place. Each entry has a detailed description of the place and gives suggestions about what to do, what is at the site, and even sometimes suggests what to do to prepare before you go (like books to buy about art so that the kids enjoy it more). Each entry also has a recommended age level which I think is really realistic. This woman really knows kids and obviously has gone to most of these sites (pretty amazing actually because there are so many!). I have a 4 year old and a 2 year old and have been using this book for the past year. It made my summer with the kids so much fun and I pull it out whenever we want to find some interesting place to go as a family. This may be asking too much of the author (and it is) but it would have been good to know about other museums/sites nearby of each site since I'm sometimes at one museum and wondering if there is another one close by that I could take the kids to and save myself some driving later on (and we all know what traffic can be like in SoCal!). But I can do that myself just using GoogleMaps, so I guess I'm just being lazy. Nonetheless, I HIGHLY recommend this book for families with children living or visiting SoCal. It's been amazing for me since I didn't grow up in SoCal and all the usual travel guides like LonelyPlanet and RoughGuides don't have most of these places listed and aren't written for families. Update: I just noticed that there is an index by city, so not just county as the main part of the book is organized. So my comment about finding places nearby is null and void if I had just bothered to look. There's also an index by price and type of activity. I'm in awe at the amount of work put into this book. Thank you Susan Peterson.

I have purchased many of these books for myself and for gifts. If you live in Southern California, this is such a gem of ideas and places to discover. Each place is described in detail. If you think everything can be found on the internet, this book will prove you wrong!

very thick book with lots of places to visit.

I ordered two guidebooks on what to do with children in LA, and this is by far the better of the two. For one thing, it's literally three times as big as the other one. At over 800 pages, it really and truly is the only book you'll need. Clearly the author really has been to them; she takes care to note important details like cost and hours, as well as appropriate age ranges. And it's full of really interesting places I'd never heard of even after 10 years of living in Los Angeles. I confess that after spending an afternoon scoping out places to take the little one, I had half a dozen places

bookmarked that *I* want to see!

Great book. Saw this at the Los Angeles Times Festival of Books and ended up buying one here. Lots of information, lots of places to explore!

Good handy book

Lots of ideas!

This book is awesome!

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