

The Jessie May

Days Out Passbook

Enjoy **fully funded** family days out!

Book through us today



You asked, and we listened...

...introducing Jessie May's Days Out Passbook!

Our *Team Around the Family* (TAF) has been working on something special, just for you. We've put together a fantastic selection of local attractions, giving you the chance to visit for **free**, at a time that suits you!

We hope this brings you more opportunities for **relaxation**, **fun and quality family time together**.

On the next pages, you'll find all the information you need to know about the attractions and how to book your visit. The best part? **Everything has already been arranged!**You can book through us today.

Where possible, we've even secured extra tickets so you can bring a grandparent, a close friend, or another Jessie May family to make the day even more memorable.

We want this to be **accessible for everyone**. If transport is tricky, just email at <u>community@jessiemay.org.uk</u>, and we'll do our best to help.

We're so excited to bring you this opportunity and can't wait to hear about all of your adventures. Whether it's during the school holidays, for a birthday treat, or just for a fun day out.

We hope you enjoy!



Family Engagement Officer, community@jessiemayorg.uk



Attractions

- 1. We the Curious
- 2. Slimbridge WWT
- 3. Bowood House and Gardens
- 4. STEAM Musuem
- 5. Bristol Zoo Project

We The Curious



What's on offer...

We the Curious is Bristol's science hub, full of **interactive exhibits** which are designed to make science fun and accessible to all. All exhibits are designed to spark curiosity and encourage hands-on exploration.

Tickets cover standard admission. For planetarium shows, you will need to purchase these tickets separately through the <u>We The Curious website</u>. Please wait for us to confirm your tickets before booking the Planterium.

When can I go...

Bristol Term Time:

Open Tuesday to Sunday, 10am – 5pm

Bristol School Holidays & Bank Holidays: Open every day, 10am – 5pm

Closed: Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Other useful information...

We The Curious will allow **up to 12 people**, subject to availability. Tickets are **first come**, **first served**, so book early if you have a specific date in mind. Please allow **5 working days** for processing.

When booking with Jessie May, you'll need to **provide an approximate arrival time**, but you can leave and re-enter on the same day.

We The Curious has a **Quiet Room** with low lighting, minimal sound, and **weighted blankets** available. They also run **Relaxed Mornings**—check out their website for dates.

A **Changing Places facility** is available. You'll need a **Radar key** (ask at the Welcome Desk if you don't have one) and **please** bring your own sling. For more details, visit <u>Access and Support | We The Curious.</u>

Please check the We The Curious website for more information.

How do I get there...

We The Curious

One Millennium Square, Anchor Road, Harbourside, Bristol, BS1 5DB

The nearest car park is Millennium Square Car Park. Postcode for Sat Navs is BS1 5LL, charges apply.

what3words: ///think.news.shrimp

Don't forget about Bristol's Clean Air Zone (CAZ). To check your vehicle, please visit <u>Bristol's Clean Air Zone vehicle checker</u>

If travelling by public transport, <u>First Bus Bristol</u> offers route maps, timetables, and journey planning tools.

Let the Fun Begin Book Now!

Slimbridge WWT



What's on offer...

Slimbridge WWT is a wetland nature reserve with **exciting wildlife encounters** for all ages. Whether it's getting up close with flamingos, pond dipping, or exploring Wellyboot Land and adventure playgrounds, there's something for everyone.

Our tickets cover general admission Tickets for the canoe safari will need to be purchased separately. Please wait for us to confirm your tickets before booking the safari.

When can I go...

April – October

9.30am – 5.30pm (last entry 4.30pm)

November, December & January

9.30am – 4.30pm (last entry 3.30pm)

February & March

9.30pm – 5pm (last entry 4pm)

Closed: Christmas Day & Boxing Day

Other useful information...

On any given day we arrange entry for up to **2 adults and 6 children**. Please give us **3 working days** notice in order to check availability and to arrange for your names to be sent to the Admissions Desk.

Slimbridge have **SEND-friendly sensory packs** available. These are available at the Admissions Desk. Please ask on arrival if this is something you want to make use of.

Slimbridge do have **seasonal activities** so be sure to check out their website before you visit.

Slimbridge's **Changing Place** is accessed via a Radar key. A key is available from the shop if needed. Further accessible information from Slimbridge can be found <u>here</u>.

An **accessibity map** can be found <u>here</u>.

Please check out <u>Slimbridge WWT</u> for more information.

How do I get there...

WWT Slimbridge Wetland Centre

Slimbridge, Gloucestershire. GL2 7BT

what3words: ///fists.venture.tulip

There is a free car park on site with both accessible parking and EV charging points.

Sadly, Slimbridge is less accessible by public transport. For more information, please check out: <u>Directions | WWT</u>

Let's Go Wild Book Now!

Bowood House and Gardens



What's on offer...

Located between Chippenham and Calne, Bowood is a fantastic place for a day out for the whole family! There's plenty of adventures to be had in the **amazing playground** complete with pirate ship! Or walk around the stunning grounds and spot the local deer!

When can I go...

1st April – 2nd November 2025.

10:30 – 5:30 with last admission being 4:30pm.

How do I get there...

Bowood House and Gardens

Derry Hill, Calne, Wiltshire, SN11 9NN. If using Sat Nav, please use postcode SN11 9NF.

What3words: ///wacky.admire.spurted.

There is ample free parking next to the main entrance, however please be aware that this is on compacted gravel/grass.

Other useful information...

On any given day we can arrange entry for **2 adults and 2 children**. Please give us **3 days notice** to check availability and to send you confirmation.

Bowood hold SEND sessions which take place on the **first Saturday** of every month. This covers the **Adventure Playground, the Den** and **Treehouse Café.** All of which will open 1 hour earlier than advertised.

Keep an eye out for Bowood's themed activities taking place.

Don't be caught out - Bowood is a cash-free attraction.

For full information about Bowood, please check out their <u>website</u>. Please be aware that there is **no changing places facility** at Bowood. Further accessible information can be found <u>here</u>.

Book Your Family Adventure!

STEAM Museum



What's on offer...

The STEAM Museum brings history, engineering, and science to life in Swindon. Get up close to huge steam engines, try operating manual train signals, or even drive a locomotive. A perfect family day out next to the McArthur Glen Shopping Outlet!

Your tickets cover standard admission only but sadly do not include special event days such as the Swindon Railway Festival, Great Western Brick Show, or Christmas at STEAM.

When can I go...

10am -5pm with last entry at 4pm

Sunday - 11am - 4pm with last entry at 3pm

24th - 26th December and 1st January.

Monday to Saturday -

Closed

How do I get there...

STEAM - Museum of the Great Western Railway Fire Fly Avenue (off Kemble Drive), Swindon, SN2 2EY

The nearest parking is at Swindon Designer Outlet. Both the North and West Car Parks are a five-minute walk from the museum.

what3words: ///leave.drank.wooden

For Sat Nav, use 'Kemble Drive' for the North car park or 'Penzance Drive' for the West car park. Do not use the bus lane next to the West car park—be warned, cameras are in use.

Standard parking charges apply; check out McArthurGlen's website for details. Blue Badge holders can scan the barcode on the back of their blue card to exit for free.

Other useful information...

We can arrange tickets for up to 2 adults and up to 4 children. If one adult is a carer, this can increase to 3 adults. Children under 3 years old don't require a ticket, but still need to be registered.

Please provide 3 working days' notice to check availability and arrange e-tickets.

A **Changing Places** facility is available at the Swindon designer outlet center nearby. Access is via an intercom button that connects you to secrity who will buzz you in.

For full information about the STEAM Museum, including access, please check out their website.

> **All Aboard Book Your Visit!**

Bristol Zoo Project



What's on offer...

The Bristol Zoo Project is an ideal family destination, offering a mix of wildlife and adventure in a beautiful outdoor setting. Everyone can enjoy spotting animals like bears, cheetahs, and giraffes, wandering woodland trails and play areas, or diving into interactive experiences to learn more about conservation. With plenty of space to roam, family-friendly facilities, and exciting seasonal events, it's a fun day out for all ages.

When can I go...

Summer months

10am - 5pm with last entry at 4pm

Winter months

10am - 4pm with last entry at 3pm

Closed Christmas Day

Other useful information...

We can arrange tickets for **two adults and up to four children**. Please allow **3 working days** for us to check availability and to send you confirmation. When booking with us you will need to provide an aproximate arrival time.

Bristol Zoo Project have **relaxed opening sessions** throughout the year. Please check out their website for exact dates and information. **Sensory bags** are also available from Visitor Information for those that might like to use them on any visit.

Check out BZP's <u>sensory map</u> which highlights quiet spaces, areas with known loud noises as well as interactive areas.

Bristol Zoo Project has an adult sized bench located in their First Aid Room which families are welcome to use but sadly no hoist is available. To access this room, please go to the Visitor Information to get the key. If you require a full changing place facility, the nearest one to BZP is at The Mall, Cribbs Causeway.

For full <u>accessibility</u> details, please check out the latest from Bristol Zoo Project.

How do I get there...

Bristol Zoo Project

Blackhorse Hill, Bristol, BS10 7TP

what3words: ///plot.call.elder

There is plenty of free parking available at Bristol Zoo Project.

Please check out Travel West's <u>website</u> if you are planning to use public transport. However please be aware that the bus stop is a walk away and there is no dedicated pavement or crossing point.

Wild adventures await! Book Now



We're after five great photos - one from each of our five attractions - to fill up our photobook with your best moments!

Send your best snaps to <u>marketing@jessiemay.org.uk</u> to be featured on our socials and hopefully encourage more families to book their tickets!

We the Curious

A photo at your favourite exhibit

Bowood House & Gardens

A photo with the pirate ship

STEAM Museum

Pose for a photo next to Brunel

Slimbridge WWT

A family photo with the pelicans!

Bristol Zoo Project

A photo with your favourite animals

And finally...

All requests for tickets will be on a first come, first served basis. We are currently accepting bookings up until **1st April 2026**, with the exception of Bowood, which closes for the season on 2nd November. While most of the outdoor attractions have large capacities, please note that We The Curious has a limited number of tickets available each day.

You are welcome to bring along other family members and friends if ticket numbers allow. However, these opportunities are intended primarily for families supported by Jessie May and are not to be passed on more widely. There are no restrictions on how many times you can visit the attractions. If this is something that works for you and your family, please do make the most of it.

If you have any questions, please email **community iessiemay.org.uk**. This inbox is monitored Monday to Friday, but unfortunately not at weekends.

We believe the attractions included in this offer will be suitable for families, although Jessie May cannot take responsibility if they do not meet individual needs. Please also be aware that there will not be a Jessie May presence during your visit.

After your day out, we'd love to hear how it went. A member of our team will be in touch to hear about your experience, as this feedback really helps us build a picture of the value of these opportunities and supports the work of our fundraising team.

Finally, please don't forget to share your photos. We'd love to see them! You can email your pictures to marketing@jessiemay.org.uk or tag Jessie May on your socials.