



CITY GUIDE

PHILADELPHIA



EAT

Shane's Confectionery

For a retro sweets experience, visit the country's oldest candy shop—it's in a great location near Independence Hall. Most of the chocolates and candies are made right at the store. If you visit when the weather's chilly, order a "hot drinking chocolate."

Continental Mid-Town

Room to roam and explore—plus, the food is awesome. Kids love the circular booths, and you'll love the menu variety and fast service. Bringing a stroller? You can park it at the front or take it with you to the elevator to the upper floor. Top floor highlight? The seats are animal-shaped!

Pat's and Gino's

For an awesome Philly Cheesesteak experience, it's tough to top Pat's and Gino's. It's not only that they have the best cheesesteaks in town, but they're set in the middle of South Philly. It's outdoor seating only, but you get the bonus of people watching in Rocky Balboa's neighborhood.

STAY

Lowe's Philadelphia Hotel

An excellent Center City location that is super family-friendly. Forgot your car seat, night light, or a favorite toy? No problem. The Lowe's has plenty of extras in stock. You can also get 24-hour room service with kid-approved options. Another plus—you're a block away from Reading Terminal Market. (Rates average \$220--but call for special rates.)

The Logan Philadelphia

A place for museum lovers or parents who hope to raise future museum lovers. You can walk to the Franklin Institute, and the Philadelphia Museum of Art and Academy of Natural Sciences. The hotel's family fun pack gets you two free kids' meals when you buy an adult meal. The Bristol Suites feature bunk beds in an adjoining room. (The room rate hovers around \$250, but try for a phone-in special.)

Residence Inn by Marriott Philadelphia Center City

Solid value. Larger than normal rooms and, here's the important part when traveling with kids, each room has a kitchen. (Rates average around \$160 a night.)

SHOP

Reading Terminal Market

Full of stuff you'll want to buy—and eat! Visit the delicious food stalls, perfect for picky palettes. Check out the Amish market, grab a slice of pizza, or try an Amish donut. The hustle and bustle can be a bit much for noise sensitive kiddos.

Joseph Fox Bookshop

Charming Philly families since 1951. Let the kids experience a real bookstore and then walk about two minutes to Rittenhouse Square for ice cream from Sweet Charlie's.

Momo's Treehouse

Moms describe this gem as a "rockin' toy shop." Momo's says it's the place for curious kids. You'll call it an ideal rest stop from your City of Brotherly Love exploring. There are two locations, so find the one that best fits your schedule.

PLAY

Philly has so much great Revolutionary Era history, but that's not the only attraction this beautiful city offers.

The Franklin Institute

A huge, cool science museum. Kids can follow the path of blood while walking through a giant human heart, dive into the science of sports, and get in touch with their inner superhero at the Marvel exhibit.

The Please Touch Museum

Hands down one of the best kids museums we've ever seen. It's located a bit outside of the downtown tourist hub, but it's worth it. Check out the Ben Franklin House, the underground museum, and the beautiful museum grounds. Get here early to avoid the crowds.

RiverRink at Penn's Landing

Philly's only outdoor roller skating rink! Better yet, it overlooks the river! There's also a beautiful carousel and family-friendly carnival games. Not into roller skating? In the winter it's an ice skating rink.