

Browne's Addition

NEIGHBORHOOD SCAVENGER HUNT

Scavenger Stop: Coeur d'Alene Park – Spokane's First Public Park

Find the place where neighbors gather under tall trees, music fills the air, and the gazebo takes center stage!

Fun Fact: Coeur d'Alene Park is the oldest public park in Spokane established in 1891! It still brings the community together with concerts, block parties, and a popular farmers market.

Activity: Imagine you're setting up for a summer concert, where would the band play? How would you decorate the park? Can you act out your dream event?

Scavenger Stop: Overlook Park – Bridges and Big Views

Find the spot with benches and a sweeping view.

Fun Fact: Overlook Park sits 500 feet above the Creek and was once just empty lots before the community transformed it into a scenic overlook and trailhead.

Activity: Count how many bridges you can see from the overlook. Try echo-calling across the valley or walk a bit down the trail, how far can you see from here? Imagine crossing those bridges into the city 100 years ago!

Scavenger Stop: People's Park – Layers of History

Walk where rivers meet and stories unfold, from ancient campfires to Expo 74 campsites.

Fun Fact: Archaeologists discovered evidence of human life here over 8,000 years ago. The area known as People's Park was once a salmon fishing site for Indigenous peoples and remains a cultural landmark today.

Activity: Can you spot where the river and creek meet? Imagine salmon once swam here, what do you think the park sounded like then?

Scavenger Stop: Haunted Walking Tour – Browne's Addition

In Spokane's oldest neighborhood, whispers of the past linger. Can you find the tour that leads you past ghostly tales and grand old homes?

Fun Fact: The Haunted Walking Tour of Browne's Addition shares eerie legends drawn from local lore, historic newspapers, and Chet Caskey's books. You'll hear about everything from long-lost cemeteries to feuding sisters who never quite made peace.

Activity: Use the custom Google Map or download the PDF from Spokane Public Library's website. As you walk, choose one house and make up your own spooky story to go with it.

Scavenger Stop: Coeur d'Alene Farmers Market

Fun Fact: Farmers markets aren't just for grown-ups! The Coeur d'Alene Farmers Market helps people in our community find fresh fruits and veggies grown by nearby farmers. It's like a giant outdoor treasure hunt for healthy snacks, and you get to meet the people who grew them!

Free Activity: "Color Hunt Challenge!"

Can you find a fruit or veggie in each of these colors?

● Red – ● Green – ● Yellow – ● Orange – ● Purple

Bonus: Ask a farmer what their favorite thing to grow is!

Scavenger Stop: Redband Park

Can you spot the signs about protecting fish and wildlife? They'll help you learn why the Spokane River is so special!

Fun Fact:

This park used to be a big stadium called Glover Field, where crowds came to cheer at parades and football games. Today, it's named after the Redband Rainbow Trout, a colorful fish important to the Spokane Tribe. The name change helps remind everyone to care for the river and the wildlife.

Activity: Trout Tracker Challenge! Pretend to swim like a Redband Trout across the field, then try to find three things that help nature; like plants, bugs, or water!

Congratulations, explorers!

*Don't forget to continue the fun...
Explore the bonus stops on the back!*

Bonus Stop: Your Local Library!

While you're out exploring, don't forget to swing by your local library

Join in on their storytimes and check out tons of fun, free rentals to keep your summer full of learning and play. From books and games to activity kits and more, it's a perfect way to keep the adventure going!

Bonus Stop: Your Local Aquatic Center!

Make a splash! Many Spokane-area aquatic centers offer free swim times for kids, and fun summer events like neighborhood pool parties to kick off the summer!

Check their website to find swim times and party dates near you!

Bonus Stop: Your Local Public School Playground!

Did you know most public school playgrounds stay open all summer? It's the perfect spot to climb, slide, and play! Heading into kindergarten or a new school? Visiting the playground is a great way to get familiar with the space before the first day!

Mini Activity:

Play "School Explorer"! Pretend you're on your first day—can you find the front door, a place to sit, and the tallest slide?

Bonus Stop: Your Local Business & Community Center!

Explore your neighborhood! Stop by a local business (like a bakery, barber shop, or market) and visit your community center to see what events or resources they offer for families. These places are great for making connections and learning more about your area!

Riverfront Park Kids Fest is a vibrant, family-focused community event designed to celebrate and support children and families throughout Spokane. Hosted at Riverfront Park on July 22, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., this fun-filled day offers free attraction tickets, free skate rentals, and complimentary rides on the Loeff Carousal for all kids 12 and under. Come enjoy a full day of laughter, exploration, and connection in the heart of our city. This special event is all about bringing families together and creating lasting memories—don't miss it!

Mini Activity:

Draw a "Neighborhood Treasure Map" with your child—mark the business, the community center, and one fun thing you saw at each place!

You've completed the adventure — for now!

Make a heart with your hands with your family and friends at your favorite stop and #Launchfamilyfun on Facebook or Instagram for a chance to win a summer gift basket!

We'll be picking one lucky winner each month all summer long.

Keep exploring — from history to nature to community, there's so much to discover this season!

