

## Bush Playgroup

Playgroup SA offers a fortnightly Bush Playgroup during the school term, where families come together to use the space and natural materials in the garden.

The children build tipis made of sticks, cook wombat stew with rocks, leaves, flowers and grasses, play in the mud and create all sorts of craft they can hang in the shrubs or take home.



**CREATIVITY**

**DEVELOPMENT**

**LEARNING**

Toilets and a change table are available at the Volunteer Centre, as well as hot water, a microwave and kids corner, during opening hours.

### Opening Hours:

Garden: 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset

Community Nursery and NRC:

Monday by appointment

Tuesday 9am - 4.30pm

Wednesday 9am - 12.30pm

Thursday 9am - 4.30pm

Friday by appointment

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for Children**



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Children are the future and the Barossa Bushgardens has a lot on offer for young visitors. Bringing kids closer to nature is important to teach them to look after the environment and the sustainable management of natural resources.

Spending time outdoors, especially in nature, supports learning, mental and physical health and improves concentration and problem solving skills.



## Nature Trail

Next to the nature play area is a nature trail that leads through a small patch of native vegetation to create a realistic feeling of walking through the bush.

Children have to crawl under, or climb over branches, use different stepping stones and walk through a creek bed. Parents can join in on the fun or use the easier alternative route alongside the trail.

**“NATURE is a TOOL  
to get CHILDREN  
to EXPERIENCE  
not just the WIDER WORLD,  
BUT THEMSELVES.”**

Stephen Moss



## Nature Play Area

- Sandpit
- Muddy puddle
- Undercover seating
- Feel Path
- Maze
- Mud kitchen
- Garden beds
- Picnic area
- Different sizes logs

## Sensory Garden

The Sensory Garden showcases many different plants to touch and smell. Soft bushes, spiny shrubs, thin, thick, large, small and aromatic leaves, succulent plants, different trees with smooth and rough bark and many different flowers.

## Workshops for Children

Experienced staff and volunteers offer regular workshops tailored to educate children of different ages in sustainable natural resource management and environmental awareness.

From building toys and animals, using natural materials, learning how to recycle and reuse waste at home, to building bee hotels and planting bird and butterfly attracting gardens, are just some of the workshops available at the Natural Resource Centre on site.



## Nature Play Festival

The annual Nature Play Festival, celebrated in the Bushgardens, offers lots of play, craft, food, drinks and great experiences for children between 3 and 12 years of age.