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How to Enjoy Your Weekend!

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How many times have you looked forward to the weekend, then were at a loss as to what to do when it came? If you put off planning until the last minute, you very often end up doing the same thing every weekend! Sometimes it's a good idea to plan ahead – that way you can prepare and start to get excited about how you're going to spend your precious days off.

Go on a Road Trip

No matter where you live, chances are there is adventure not far from your house: a town you've never been to or a city where historic events took place. Ask some friends or coworkers where their favorite day trips are, do some research on the internet, or just plan on heading in a direction to see what you can find.

An even more adventurous plan would be to look into weekend cruises. A luxurious two days on the beach and floating on the sea with your every whim catered to sounds like a pretty good way to spend a weekend. The only problem is, after a weekend in Key West or the Bahamas, you may not want to come home!

Spiff Up the House

If, for some reason, you can't wander too far from home, you can still have an enjoyable weekend. Tackle a project that you've been putting off for ages, like cleaning out the basement. But you can make it a bit more interesting and inspiring than just a boring old cleaning job. Maybe it's finally the right time to turn the basement into a playroom for the kids, a man cave, or even an awesome media room that the whole family will enjoy for years to come. And won't it feel good to get something crossed off that to-do list?

Spiff Up the Yard

Maybe you've been wanting to do something with your yard for years, but it just seems too overwhelming (and not really a fun way to spend your off hours). Remember that you don't have to get it done all in one weekend – maybe you could just plan on doing one task at a time. And again, sometimes boring tasks such as cleaning up or weeding can be made more interesting when you are doing them for a reason. For instance, you may find inspiration to clean your yard in the fact that you'll be creating a place for your kids to play or because you're thinking about all the backyard barbecues you can have without all of those ugly weeds to get in the way.

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Have a Party!

There doesn't have to be a special occasion if you want to have a party. After all, why wait for Halloween to have a costume party? Or you could have a game party, with a few old favorite games, mixed in with some new ones, for everyone to enjoy. Have a wine tasting party for your wine-loving friends. You could set up a movie screen out in your backyard and have an outdoor movie night – pick a theme like 80's movies or some corny horror films (don't forget to have plenty of movie snacks on hand!).

Your party doesn't have to be fancy, and you don't have to spend a lot of money or time planning every detail. Your friends will just appreciate the chance to gather together and have some fun!

Read a Book

How long has it been since you've settled in with a good book and just read, uninterrupted, for a few hours? There's nothing wrong with planning to relax for the whole weekend, doing something you love. Take the weekend to work on a hobby you used to love, but somehow haven't found the time for in quite a while.

Your weekends don't have to be boring. There are lots of things you can do, whether you are a spontaneous-type person or you like to start planning for the next weekend as soon as the current one is over.

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