SEMBAWANG PARK

Sembawang Park at a Glance

Did you know that there's a quaint and clean beach up north in Singapore? Quiet and serene during the weekdays, Sembawang Park is a nice escape for your family if you have a car and live close to the northern end of Singapore. The Park is busy during the weekends with many families barbecuing and picnicking by the beach. The Park has one of Singapore's few remaining natural beaches that is still clean enough to swim in!

If possible, try to find a lot in car park 1 that is located closer to the playground and beach. Parking lots free up pretty quickly even when the carpark is full during weekends. Also, parking is free. Upon entering the Park via the carpark and ramp, you'll see a large children's playground and walking and jogging trails that will lead you to the beach area.

In the Park, there are lots of shelters and seats located throughout for short breaks. You have walk further into the Park before you see the beach, barbeque pits, and the restaurant housed in the historic Beaulieu House.

You can in-line skate, cycling, run or walk in this Park. There are fitness stations too but the main highlight is the beach and jetty where fishing is allowed.

The Park is easy to navigate via stroller although you'd need some help to get to the beach as there are some stairs. Alternatively, leave the stroller on the upper level walkway and carry your baby down to the beach. You can still keep an eye on the stroller as you picnic on the beach.

The nearby restrooms with shower facilities are very useful to give your children a quick wash up before heading home or having a meal at the restaurant.

Sembawang Park is located at the end of Sembawang Road.

1. Sandy Playground

The playground is large and has a sand-based floor to cushion any falls. While the older kids are playing on the equipment, younger kids can enjoy some sand play here or at the beach. You might want to put on some mosquito repellent too.

2. Beachfront

You will find the water and beach here surprisingly clean. Remember to pack your swimsuits and sunblock. Parents and kids can also enjoy building sandcastles.

3. Beaulieu House Restaurant

Beaulieu House Restaurant is managed by Sembawang Seafood Paradise and they serve Chinese and Western food. Offering both indoor air-conditioned and alfresco dining, prices are reasonable and start at about $10 for an entree. For fussy kids, the western fare does not disappoint. They even have pizza on the menu. Here, you'll see a mix of expatriates sitting outdoors while enjoying a beer by candlelight and families gathering for family dinners. This is a convenient food stop that feels like a vacation getaway since you're dining by the beach.

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