The Survivor's Guide to Traveling with Children

Trip out of town with the little ones? Don't let the long drive, drive you nuts. Follow this handy guide and you can replace "are we there yet?" with "when can we do this again?".



Bring lots of snacks!
You cannot have enough snacks. Bring their favorites but try add some variety as well. A hangry child in a condensed space is the thing nightmares are made of
Give yourself plenty of extra time
Traveling with little ones can come with lots of unexpected surprises. Leave yourself a little extra time to deal with these unplanned occurrences and you'll always be on schedule.
Tell them about the trip
Be sure to set the proper expectations. Rather its a long drive or plane ride if they know it might be a while it may help reduce the classic "Are we there yet?" and increase their patience.
Keep them entertained
From a coloring book and crayons to a smartphone or lpad, having the tools available to keep their mind off the long ride is a must.
Keep them close
Relax and have fun!
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