

# Can you spot the difference?

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# Stay safe around the water

Our top tips to keep you safe when swimming, boating or enjoying a visit to the water's edge.

- **Your grown ups are there to help**

While you're busy having fun around the water, your grown up will read the safety signs and check for danger. They may ask you to change what you're doing if they spot a better way to stay safe.

- **Don't forget your life jacket**

Even the best swimmers get tired, and a life jacket is the best safety item you can have. Children must wear them on a boat, but it's a great choice for swimming too! While floating rings and toys are fun, they're not for water safety.

- **Protect your skin**

Nothing ruins a day quicker than sunburn!! Before you leave, grab your hat, sunglasses and put on your sunscreen. Bring enough to reapply, and ask your grown up to pack an umbrella for some extra shade.

- **What's underneath?**

It can be tricky to see what is under the water, especially in creeks or rivers. You can use a stick to measure how deep the water is and watch a leaf floating on the water to see how fast the water is moving. Step in slowly rather than diving off the bank.

- **Give native animals their space**

You might see kangaroos, echidnas or even snakes on a visit to the water. While they're exciting to see, please don't feed or touch animals.

- **Boats need space**

When choosing a swimming spot, leave plenty of space between you and the boat ramp.

- **Stay close to your grown up in the water**

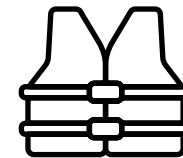
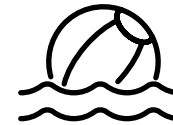
Even for keen swimmers, it is much safer to stay within arms reach of a grown up while you're in the water, so that they're ready to give you a hand if you need one.

- **Don't forget the snacks!**

Bring enough drinking water and snacks to last even if your plans change.

- **Ditch the itch**

Pack some repellent so that the insects visiting the water don't annoy you.



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