



# NATURE Splash!

Combining water play with nature

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Nature Splash is a new direction in water park design which combines elements of aquatic play with nature play to provide a more engaging, challenging and diverse play experience.

A Nature Splash Park serves as both a water playground and nature play space and offers year round use with the option to disable the water play functions during the cooler months.

Researchers at the University of WA have found that natural playgrounds provide children with more opportunities than typical pre-formed playgrounds to develop gross-motor skills.

Their research supports inclusion of natural elements such as rock, timber and water because children who play in natural settings play in more diverse, imaginative and creative ways and show improved language and collaboration skills. Single use, repetitive play equipment - as found in traditional playgrounds - can become boring.

Natural, irregular and challenging spaces help kids learn to recognise, assess and negotiate risk and build confidence and competence.

We have used this research to develop a water park design that incorporates climbable mountains of terraced rock and fort-mounted water cannons, natural log steps, cascading waterfalls, misting tunnels, random ground geysers, rocky spillways, overhead showers, giant dumper buckets and leaf races.

The design possibilities are endless and our recent project in the City of Wangaratta in NSW is a great example of the concept in action.

Children benefit greatly from unstructured play and are far more likely to invent their own games in natural places. The addition of water makes it even more fun!

With designs and budgets to suit any space, call today to find out how a Nature Splash Park could enhance your Shire or Council or visit [www.wfbd.com.au](http://www.wfbd.com.au) for more information.

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# SPLASH Pads

The low maintenance  
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The lead time for design and construction is usually a lot less than a traditional water park project and the lack of pole features and other above-ground componentry makes ongoing maintenance fairly quick and simple.

If you're after a low maintenance, multi-use, cost-effective water park option, a splash pad could be just what you're looking for.

Splash pads are growing in popularity because they usually cost less to install than a traditional water park with pole features, dumpers and cannons - but no less fun!

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They also offer the benefit of multiple use throughout the year with the option of operating as a splash pad in the warmer months and any number of other functions throughout the winter including skate parks, sport courts and the like.

As with any 0-depth water park, there is no requirement for a lifeguard and the lack of large, overhead spraying pole features and dumpers results in reduced spray and water loss.

They are safe and fun for kids of all ages and can be sequenced to run at random intervals with the options of in-ground speakers to pipe music and interactive coloured LED lights for clients who wish to use the facility at night. You can choose from a combination of grounds sprays and geisers ranging in projection heights of 40mm to 10m high with single or multi-directional sprays.

At Water Features by Design we've installed splash pads all over the country and would welcome an opportunity to discuss the options in more detail. Call Tony today on 0403 805 229 or email: [tony@waterfeaturesbydesign.com.au](mailto:tony@waterfeaturesbydesign.com.au) for more information.

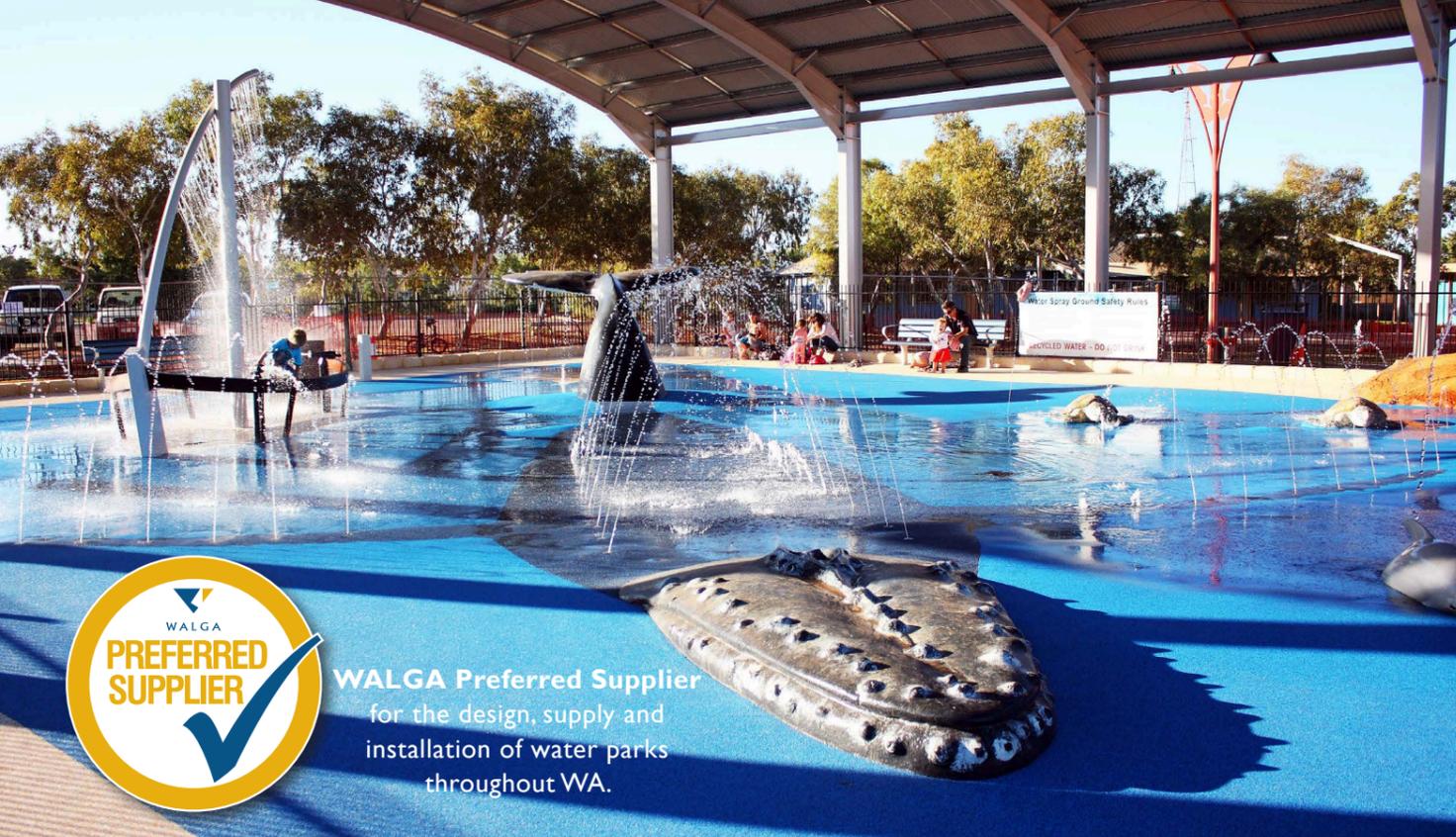
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# WATER Parks!

Custom-made to suit any space or  
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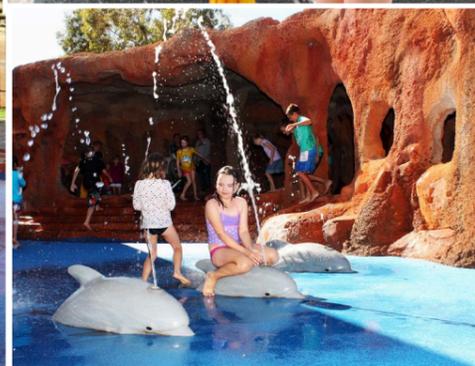
We personally oversee each  
project from design to completion  
with after-sales training in water  
playground management and  
maintenance as part of the service.

**Water Features by Design** is a recognised leader in the  
design and construction of interactive water parks and  
the only Australian-owned and operated company that  
designs, manufactures and constructs its water park  
projects from start to finish.

Founded by Company Director, Tony Jones, in 2002, WFBD is a  
name synonymous with quality, innovation and exceptional customer  
service with more than 1000 commercial and residential projects to  
its name, along with the design and construction of 16 major water  
parks throughout WA, VIC, NT and NSW.

Each water park is individually designed to suit client needs with a  
number of standard features included such as:

- no standing water
- completely random sequencing for all water features via pumps  
and solenoids
- fully recycled and automatically treated water
- unlimited choice of colour schemes, themes and layout design
- touch pad activation
- the flexibility of custom design
- the option of interchangeable play area components
- close liaison with relevant Health Department authorities to  
ensure project compliance



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harshest climatic and geographic conditions possible which has  
helped forge a water park design and installation process built  
to withstand extremes in temperature, climate and geographic  
locations. The design possibilities are endless and we pride  
ourselves on being able to offer a truly unique and purpose-built  
application for each client.