

19 Memories From My 19th Month Since Going Dad

Description

Ugh, itâ€™s this time again already? Stop growing, Avery, not *all* of us want to get older! Plenty of memories being made daily in our home, and weâ€™re loving every second of it!

Who am I kidding? Thatâ€™s a quasi-lie, and I bet any parent knows what I mean. That poop in the morning that filled the entire diaper to where no white cloth was exposed? Yeah, we didnâ€™t love that. Crying about something and we have no idea what forâ€¦nope, could do without that too.

Such is toddler-hood I suppose, so weâ€™re making the most of it. Iâ€™ll cut right to the chase and get started with my list of memories this month, number 19â€¦*ay de mi!* <â€”-Thank you, Spanish teacher in high school, for saying this 100 times/day.

1. Mommy and I have been waiting for you to actually get into books and sit all the way through as we read to you. Now, youâ€™ll sit for not just one, but youâ€™ll go and get another after we are doneâ€¦and then another, and another, and well, we read to you a lot.
2. Your infatuation with lights has been around for a while, and now youâ€™re a pro at turning them off and on too. Of course, the touch light in your room is the coolest because it requires no switches and you can reach it yourself.



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3. Also, as seen in your video above, you no longer need us to read to you as you obviously know how to get into a good book by yourself.

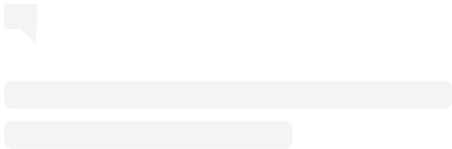
4. At our neighborâ€™s, you decided to sit and play right in the water run-off where you had your first experience with a water gun. You werenâ€™t sure what exactly to do with it, but *really* hated having to leave it there when we left. Donâ€™t worry, weâ€™ll be getting our own soon enough. ðŸ™,



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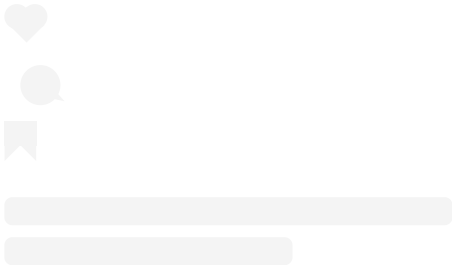


5. I think you dancing has come up in my previous memories posts, but you continue to amuse us with your expanding skills. Pecking like a chicken and spinning are some of your new moves. Must be from your mom. ðŸ˜‰



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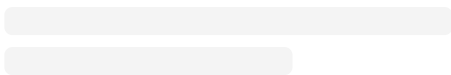


6. At another neighbor's house, we stopped while walking one day and you kinda played catch with your peer, Tanner. His Daddy is a huge baseball fan and I expect you guys will play catch a lot more as you get older. You got a few good throws in too!



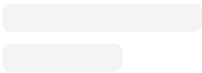
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7. Since I have 19 of these things, I'm bringing up your dance moves again. While your motor skills have increased, your coordination still has some catching up to do. No worry, you take it all in stride quite well.



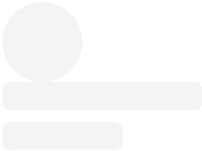


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8. You have grown fond of having a spoon during meal times, but rarely ever use it to eat. Instead, Mommy and me still mostly feed you with our utensils, or you grab food right off of them. And of course, goat cheese is pretty much a daily thing we know youâ€™ll eat.



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9. We [went to Nana and Papaâ€™s house for a fun little cookout](#) where you kept your cousins Taylor and Ashlee busy playing. You also brought back your demon face in full force which made it difficult to get a good pic with you and Nana.



10. While there, you got to see your aunt Lindsay and even put away the demon for a real smile. I think she appreciated your kindness.



11. This past month, we [finally took down the baby prison play area](#) in the living room which gave all of us more freedom and less obstacles to step over. It's™s amazing how much bigger our home feels when not filled with gates.

12. With our new space, I thought it would be worth trying to make a couch fort just like I used to do as a kid. Turns out, I need to work on my fort building skills and she might need to be just a little bit older. Or destruction is just her way of saying "Your fort sucks, Dad!"•



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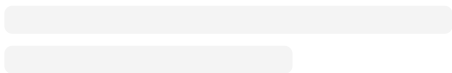
13. As I said before, you love sitting down with us to read a book, and you walking backwards to sit down in my lap has become one of my favorite times. Instant stress relief!

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14. Before the Texas heat hit us, I took advantage of the cooler weather for a few babywearing walks with you. It had been awhile since I last walked with you in our [Onya](#), but to see you running up to me with a smile when I get it out is priceless. I will never forget these times, sweetie.



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15. Now that the heat is here, so are the flies—inside our house. They have me swatting at the air constantly, and [you™ve caught on](#). Now you will point at bug flying and say “œfly” and then clap your hands just like I do when trying to kill the pests. You do this at dinner in your high chair and anywhere in or out of the house. It™s cute and hopefully you™ll be a great little helper soon.



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16. Swimming has quickly turned into a fun activity for you and weâ€™ve already gone more than last year alone. Thatâ€™s not saying much, but I know weâ€™ll be there a lot this summer, just throwing you in the air (maybe too high) and kicking your legs to make big splashes.

<http://www.going-dad.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/Throwing-Avery-in-Pool.mp4>

17. This month we [celebrated getting rid of your baby bottles](#)! You werenâ€™t too keen about it the first day, but quickly caught on to the â€œbig kidâ€• leak-proof sippy cups. You made sure to savor every last sip of your last time to use the bottle though.



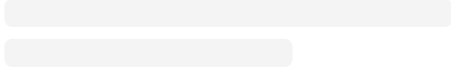
18. With the introduction of your new cups, I now have another person to make a daily green smoothie for. I wasnâ€™t sure how youâ€™d take to them when I gave a few sips, but you quickly signed for more and I knew it was time. Now you down one with Mommy at night and I save extra for you to have in the morning. Iâ€™m not sure, but I think they make you a *little* happy.



19. And finally, to end this month's list of memories, it's apparent you are a growing girl. No longer is anything safe on our kitchen counter as you can reach up to the edges quite well. We have to be careful it's nothing dangerous on the end, but it is sometimes nice when you can get your own drink. Not so much when you try to put it back and it spills though.



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If it wasn't for Instagram, I may not be able to remember these memories, hence why I have so many pictures from my account. I'll have to keep the Insta-pics going for next month's top 20 or my old 31 year old brain will have trouble thinking on its own.

After 24 months, I will have to find a new way to capture my monthly memories, maybe with a top 3, but until then, I'll be back next month on the 15th to share my top 20.

What memories do you have of your kids from the past month?

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