

Why I'm Scared this Fourth of July

Description

Hello and Happy Fourth of July!!

You're probably thinking I'm scared of the Fourth of July fireworks or crazy people who had too much to drink and are high on smoke bombs driving around, but that would be wrong. Well, the latter is a little worrisome, but not an issue I've dealt with before.

Nope, right now, as you read this, my wife and I probably just finished our 5k at a [nearby brewery](#) as G-Ma and Avery cheered us on and are sipping on a refreshing craft beer to celebrate. The scary part is what we're doing for the day; going to G-Ma's to **gasp* spend the night!*

As you can tell, I'm writing this in advance, so I'll have to fill you in on the details of our race and the rest of today in a future post. For now, I'm just sharing my fear with you. Avery has outgrown her pack n play portable crib which we've always used at G-Ma's and we have been avoiding another visit for far too long.

This time, we are going to make a comfortable bed on the ground since she has no awareness of boundaries and hope for the best. She is never just asleep when we put her to bed in her crib at night, and she usually rolls all over the place talking for a good 20 minutes. I assume this normal for most toddlers, but geez, she's crazy!

So now, after waking up early for the 5k and being exposed to fireworks, she'll either be extremely tired and will go to sleep easily, or so tired she's wired. Parents, I'm sure you know what I'm talking about. We brought her to [G-Ma's last year](#) where she first saw fireworks, but was hardly aware of what exactly was happening.



Now that she is very aware of everything around her, who knows how sheâ€™ll take the loud booms and flashy pyrotechnics. Will it be overstimulating, scary, or a joy to watch for her? Guess weâ€™re finding out today!

So, the plan of attack is counting on the accumulation of waking up early, playing at G-Maâ€™s and swimming at her neighborâ€™s house, possibly no nap, and staying up later to see fireworks working for instead of against us to get her to sleep good at night. Wow, that was a long sentence!

My nerves are a little frantic, if you canâ€™t tell, but luckily Going Mom is cool and calm. Hope my frantic state is all for not.

Bye for now, and Happy Fourth of July to those of you here in the U.S.! Happy weekend to the rest of you!

Have you had to deal with a tricky sleep situation for your little one?

Ever find a solution or was it just a miserable night for everyone?

Any tips? Please?

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