



R82 Crocodile

Supporting the motivation to move in all terrains





How walking changes everything

Walking is more than just a developmental milestone. It is a gateway to independence, exploration and connection. For children, it is an essential milestone that opens the door to countless opportunities for growth – physically, emotionally and cognitively.

Why do we walk?

Most children start walking between eight and eighteen months old, during one of their most rapid phases of development. Before they can walk, crawling or other forms of mobility often confine their perspective to the floor. But walking dramatically changes this. The moment a child stands upright, the world takes on a new dimension and becomes full of possibilities.

Walking reshapes how children interact with their surroundings, fostering a deeper understanding of spaces, objects and people. It allows them to travel further and explore freely. With every step, their sense of independence grows, their understanding of the world deepens and their confidence blossoms. This builds a sense of independence in the child that encourages them to explore and be curious, bringing new ways to learn and connect.

The benefits of walking go beyond the physical ones. When a child begins to walk, they gain the freedom to use their hands to carry, point and interact with objects. This creates new and richer experiences – encouraging problem-solving, decision-making and spatial awareness.





Benefits of walking

Walking is one of the most fundamental motor skills promoting a child's development across a range of areas. Walking supports physical fitness, emotional well-being, social inclusion and cognitive development.



Cognitive development

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Physical growth

Walking is essential for building strength and coordination. It promotes bone density and strengthens the muscles. Moving against gravity also fosters better posture and spatial awareness.



Cardio-respiratory fitness

Assistive devices for walking promote mobility and might enable children with disabilities to overcome barriers to participate in physical activities and thereby reduce sitting, while promoting cardio-respiratory fitness.



Emotional and social growth

Walking introduces a child to a world of emotional and social possibilities. With mobility comes the ability to make choices independently – choosing where to go and what to explore. This autonomy builds confidence and inspires a sense of self.

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Supporting early intervention

For some children – due to developmental delays or disabilities – the milestone of walking may not come naturally or during the expected time frame. This can limit the opportunities for exploration and learning that mobility provides. Moreover, their naturally curious and adventurous nature may be dampened if they are unable to interact freely with their environment.

Early intervention is crucial here. The first few years of life are a critical window during which children's bodies and brains are highly adaptable. For those facing mobility challenges, introducing the right support during this early period such as mobility aids, therapeutic approaches and positioning devices can provide meaningful opportunities for exploration and interaction.





Crocodile size 1 with Starter kit

Crocodile for toddlers

When you experience a delay in your child's development an early intervention such as introducing assistive devices can help by compensating and supporting your child's mobility. Over time this can significantly improve their development.

For our smallest users, we have designed the Crocodile in a size 0 and furthermore an accessory is available for size 1, making it possible to retrofit it to an even smaller size, placing it between the Crocodile size 0 and size 1.



Comparison for small users

Measurements		Size 0	Size 1 mounted with Starter kit	Size 1	
4.	Height from floor to handles	11.8 - 24" (300 - 610 mm)	15 - 27.6" (380 - 700 mm)	16.5 - 28.1" (420 - 715 mm)	
<u></u>	Width between handles	3.9 - 11" (100 - 280 mm)	3.5 - 13.8" (90 - 350 mm)	7.5 - 13.8" (190 - 350 mm)	
<u></u>	Length	25.2" (640 mm)	26" (660 mm)	28.3" (720 mm)	
Max. user height		41.3" (1050 mm)	45.3" (1150 mm)	45.3" (1150 mm)	

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Research suggests that contact and interaction with nature might increase quality of life, increase concentration levels and reduce stress by encouraging a more positive emotional state, improving energy levels and increasing the ability to focus.

Nature has a unique way of nurturing our minds and bodies, offering us countless opportunities to grow, explore and connect. From a child's earliest years, engaging with the natural environment is far more than just entertainment – it lays the foundations for a healthy mind, body and for future relationships. For children with disabilities, outdoor experiences can be especially empowering, providing accessible ways to interact with the world and discover their potential. Ensuring early access to the natural world for all children helps shape their development in deeply meaningful ways, allowing them to thrive while following their own unique path.

Interacting with nature: how it effects a child's well-being

Spending time in nature has remarkable effects on a child's mental well-being. The simple act of being outdoors can reduce stress, enhance focus and foster emotional resilience. Studies show that children who regularly interact with nature demonstrate improved concentration and are often better able to handle challenges.

For young children, the outdoors is a sensory-rich environment where curiosity knows no bounds. Feeling the texture of leaves, watching insects at work or listening to the birds at dawn stimulates developing minds and helps build an understanding of the world. For children living with disabilities, well-designed sensory activities, such as a game of outdoor bingo or a sensory garden, can create safe spaces tailored to their needs, promoting cognitive and emotional growth. These moments of discovery foster self-confidence and provide the building blocks of joyful exploration.

Nature and its impact on body and mobility

The physical benefits of outdoor play are equally profound. Whether it's running through fields, splashing in puddles or digging in soil, outdoor activities help children develop their strength, coordination and mobility. These movements promote healthy growth and make exercise enjoyable and instinctive, rather than a chore.



For children with physical disabilities, nature offers opportunities for empowerment. Accessible trails, assistive technology and adaptive playgrounds enable more children to experience the joys of movement outdoors. Activities such as inclusive gardening projects, adaptive hiking or simply going for a walk with your friends and family can strengthen both the body and spirit, improving physical endurance and offering the unique sensory stimulation of fresh air, sunshine and the sounds of nature. These experiences remind every child they can fully participate in the magic of the outdoors, regardless of their abilities.

Learn more about the benefits of the outdoors



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The right fit

The Crocodile helps the child into a more upright posture. It is placed behind the child and its lightweight design makes it easy to move and use, ensuring the child a stable, supported walk.

The Crocodile has a height adjustable top frame and multi adjustable handles, that can be positioned and adjusted for both height and width.

When positioning the multi adjustable handles close to the body, they provide better support and stability. Along with a wide range of accessories, the Crocodile is easily adjusted to your child's needs and growth.





Safety in all situations

When exploring the world, safety is a top priority. Therefore, the Crocodile comes with an anti-reverse wheel stop and is available with both hand brakes and fixed or swing away anti-tips, giving your child a safe and stable walker.

Adding accessories to the Crocodile can provide an additional amount of support for the child to feel safe when exploring independently.

All terrain - all the time

The Crocodile comes in two size variants; the Crocodile available in four sizes and Crocodile AT available in three sizes.

The main difference between them is the wheels, making it possible for your child to play and participate in all activities, whether walking on hardwood floors or dirt paths.

The Crocodile sizes 0, 1, 2 and 3 features smaller, slimmer wheels with an adjustable tension, making them ideal for indoor use or on smooth, even surfaces.

The Crocodile AT sizes 1, 2 and 3 have larger wheels, giving them an easier maneuverability on different surfaces.







Ready for adventure

The Crocodile encourages independent movement, exploration and discovery. It gives the child an opportunity to participate actively and to engage with their environment along with peers and family, as it performs well on all types of terrain. With options ideal for both indoor environments and on different types of outdoor terrain, it provides multiple opportunities to challenge your child's postural control and balance.

With its ergonomic handles and a lightweight frame, the Crocodile is easy for children to maneuver and to bring on the go as the frame is easily foldable.

Choosing a Crocodile with slimmer wheels is ideal for toddlers or children with reduced balance and control, who

primarily walk indoors or on smooth, even outdoor surfaces, as it offers reduced rolling resistance and a more steady ride.

The Crocodile All-Terrain sizes are better suited for children who like to explore a more rugged environment, with their larger wheels that excel on surfaces like gravel, dirt paths, and in uneven terrains. Due to the larger wheels with a deeper tread, they have a bigger footprint and thus ensures a better grip, delivering a smoother ride and better comfort, while improving stability and traction. This offers additional possibilities for enjoying outdoor playgrounds.

Find out more about Crocodile All-Terrain





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Children who just want to move...

Active in the outdoors

At eighteen months Andreas was diagnosed with spastic tetraplegic cerebral palsy at GMFCS level III. He experiences challenges with walking and is a toe walker, so he wears braces every day.

Andreas' world expanded significantly with the Crocodile All-Terrain variant. He loves the freedom it gives him – navigating curbs and bumps, playing football in the field, running through mud and strolling through the forest without worrying about the different surfaces.







Supported transition

When Tobias was about 9 months old, he was diagnosed with Spinal muscular atrophy type 1. After receiving medication to treat it, Tobias gradually grew stronger and started to develop his gross motor functions, however he still needed support when walking. To further improve his independent walking, he received a Crocodile size 0 instead of the Mustang, he was currently using.



Read the story about Tobias

The freedom of walking

Oscar (16 months old) has been diagnosed with unilateral right sided spastic cerebral palsy due to periventricular leukomalacia.

He has been classified at GMFCS level I or II and will be expected to be able to learn to walk independently between the age of 18 months to 2 years, without the need for any assistive devices. In the meantime he gets support from his Crocodile mounted with the Starter kit.





... and have fun

Independent mobility

Konrad was born preterm and later diagnosed with Angelman Syndrome, a rare genetic disorder characterized by severe developmental delay and learning disabilities.

When using his Crocodile, configured with the back and side support and lateral strap for support, Konrad is able to walk independently. Konrad is gradually developing new motor skills, which require constant change in the degree of support in his assistive devices.

Read the story about Konrad





The difference of a Crocodile

When Alfie, who has Global Development Delay (GDD) and low muscle tone, joined Humberston Park Special School at age 3, he was neither stepping independently nor exploring his environment.

With a combined development program across his home and school environments, Alfie gradually mastered the skill of independent walking using the Crocodile.



Read the story



Frame Football is an inclusive sport focusing on helping children with limited mobility to be able to enjoy the game, while allowing them to interact socially with other children living with disabilities.

When Fin began playing Frame Football with his Crocodile walker, he progressed well in a short period of time, enjoying the easy maneuverability and the option of taking a break at half time.











Product highlights

The Crocodile is the perfect companion for everyday adventures. A wide range of accessories can be added to meet your child's need for support while exploring the world.

Growth and support

The Crocodile adapts effortlessly, thanks to its easy, adjustment of the height and its two angle adjustable handles. Positioning the handles close to the body provides the child with better support and a better walking position.

Additional accessories can be added guaranteeing that your child enjoys a stable walking position, fostering interaction and participation with both peers and family.

Safety

Our Crocodile is designed with comfort and safety in mind and comes equipped with an anti reverse wheel stop, preventing the Crocodile from rolling backwards. Additionally, hand brakes can be mounted for extra security ensuring that your child is safe to go on family adventures in all terrains.

Easy transportation

The Crocodile can be easily folded with the seat and accessories mounted, making it the perfect companion for you to bring on the go.

Early intervention

Choosing the Crocodile in a size 0 or size 1 with the Starter kit accessory, provides supported standing and walking, giving the opportunity for early intervention and facilitation of the child's social interaction with parents, carers, and the environment.



Being active or taking a break?

Adding the Flip down seat to your child's Crocodile provides them with the opportunity to take a rest when needed.

Outdoor adaptable

The Crocodile is equipped with front wheels with directional stabilizers to provide your child with a supported walk in all terrains. Choosing between the Crocodile with tension adjustable rear wheels or the Crocodile All-Terrain size variant with larger wheels and a deeper tread, gives you the opportunity to find the walker that best suit your child's needs.

The Crocodile family

The Crocodile family consists of seven sizes with two different variants; the Crocodile and the Crocodile All-Terrain. We have listed the most important features of the two size variants, so that you can make an informed choice, when choosing which walking aid is the right one for your child.





Crocodile:

The Crocodile is available in size 0, 1, 2 and 3

- · Height adjustable frame
- · Angle adjustable handles
- Anti-reverse wheel stop
- Slim wheels with an adjustable tension on the rear wheels
- Foldable frame
- Multiple accessories available for additional support
- Accommodating children with a user height ranging from 41.3" - 70.9" (1050 mm to 1800 mm)
- Possibility of mounting the Starter kit on size 1

Crocodile All-Terrain:

The Crocodile AT variant comes in size 1, 2 and 3

- Height adjustable frame
- · Angle adjustable handles
- Anti-reverse wheel stop
- Bigger wheels with a deeper tread and better compound
- Possibility of dismounting the rear wheels for transportation
- Foldable frame
- · Multiple accessories available for additional support
- Accommodating children with a user height ranging from 46.9" 72.4" (1190 mm to 1840 mm)







Measurements

		Size 0	Size 1	Size 1 AT	Size 2	Size 2 AT	Size 3	Size 3 AT
"\\—\ _I	Width between handles	3.9 - 9.8" (100-250 mm)	7.5 - 13.8" (190-350 mm)	7.5 - 13.8" (190-350 mm)	9.4 - 16.5" (240-420 mm)	9.4 - 16.5" (240-420 mm)	13 - 18.9" (330-480 mm)	13 - 18.9" (330-480 mm
4.	Height from floor to handles	11.8 - 24" (300-610 mm)	16.5 - 28" 15 - 27.6"* (420-710 mm 380- 700 mm*)	18.1 - 29.5" (460-750 mm)	22 - 33.5" (560-850 mm)	23.6 - 35" (600-890 mm)	29.1 - 40.4" (740-1025 mm)	30.7 - 41.9" (780-1065 mm
*I	Max. user height	41.3" (1050 mm)	45.3" (1150 mm)	46.9" (1190 mm)	59" (1500 mm)	60.6" (1540 mm)	70.9" (1800 mm)	72.4" (1840 mm)
	Max. user mass	66 lbs (30 kg)	66 lbs (30 kg)	66 lbs (30 kg)	99 lbs (45 kg)	99 lbs (45 kg)	176 lbs (80 kg)	176 lbs (80 kg)
<u></u>	Length	25.2" (640 mm)	28.3" (720 mm)	30.7" (780 mm)	33.1" (840 mm)	35.4" (900 mm)	34.3" (870 mm)	36.6" (930 mm)
	Overall width	22.8" (580 mm)	24.8" (630 mm)	26" (660 mm)	27.2" (690 mm)	27.6" (700 mm)	27.2" (690 mm)	28.3" (720 mm)
<u>e</u>	Folded length	25.6" (650 mm)	28.3" (720 mm)	29.5" (750 mm)	33.9" (860 mm)	35" (890 mm)	39.4" (1000 mm)	40.6" (1030 mm)
	Folded width	22.8" (580 mm)	24.4" (620 mm)	26" (660 mm)	27.2" (690 mm)	27.6" (700 mm)	27.2" (690 mm)	28.3" (720 mm)
1.5.	Folded height	11.8" (300 mm)	11.8" (300 mm)	13.6" (345 mm)	10.6" (270 mm)	12.2" (310 mm)	11.4" (290 mm)	13" (330 mm)

 * Mounted with the Starter kit accessory. Further measurements are available on our website.

Colors



















Accessories



Surrounding support 868610



Back and side support 86808, 86809 Lateral strap SN4016



Hip supports 86819



Forearm supports with handgrip 86858-1, 86859-1, 86860-1

Accessories



Starter kit 86801-0



Flip down seat 86820-01, 86820, 86822, 86863



Attendant's handle 86866-1



Grip bar 86879-0, 86879-1, 86879-2



Angle adjustable grip bar 86878-0, 86878-1, 86878-2



Sling seat 86824, 86825



Sling seat, lightweight 86824-1, 86825-1



Bag 86839, 86843



Anti-tips, fixed 86815-F, 86815-3F Anti-tips, swing away 86815, 86815-3S, 868151, 868152, 868153



Decelerating hand brake kit 86834-DEC, 86873-DEC, 868341, 868342, 868343 Hand brake kit

86834, 86873



Back support, adjustable 86886



Cross bar 86880



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