

Your Year in Girl Scouts

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of virginia

Program Events
and Activities Guide
2024-2025 Girl Scout Membership Year

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Welcome to your 2024-2025 Program Events and Activities Guide!



Dear Girl Scouts and Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 Program Events & Activities Guide! We're thrilled to embark on another year of fun and adventure with you. This year, we've tailored our Program events and activities to meet the needs of today's girls. We're focusing on mental wellness, special-interest programming, family involvement, community service, and so much more.

This Program Events and Activities Guide is a representation of what's important to us: insights from Girl Scouts of the USA, the thoughtful input from our amazing troop leaders and volunteers, and, of course, the voices of our girls. We've listened closely—from our Operational Advisory Task Group meetings to our summer camp visits—and shaped each offering

with your feedback in mind. As you explore this guide, you'll see the result of a true collaboration across our entire Girl Scout community.

There are unique opportunities and adventures for all within these pages, designed to truly enrich your Girl Scout experience. We've partnered with incredible community organizations to bring you even more Program events that suit every level, from Daisies to Ambassadors, Juliettes, and families. There's a place for EVERYONE at Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia: THE. BEST. COUNCIL. EVER.

Thanks for joining us for another amazing year. Let's make it unforgettable!

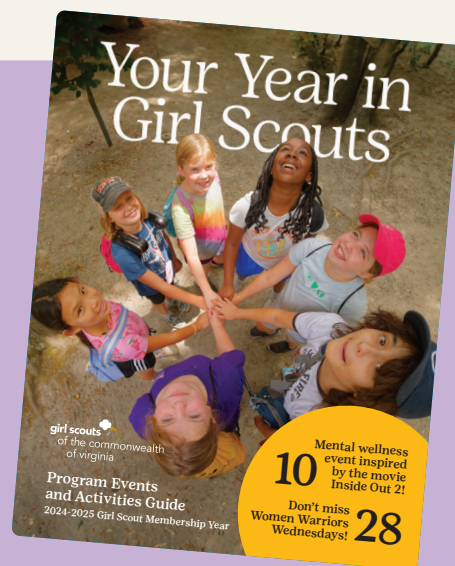
—The Program Team at GSCV

How to Use This Guide in Three Easy Steps

- 1 Read through new Program events and activities.
- 2 Go to www.comgirlscouts.org for more Program details.
- 3 Register online to reserve your spot.

Registration opens October 7th at 6:00 PM.

Questions? Email gshelper@comgirlscouts.org or call 804-746-0590. More Program details and information on page 6.



Girls

Read through this guide and pick events, trips, and camps you'll love!



Troop Leaders

Use this guide along with the fall guide to plan your 2024-2025 Girl Scout Year!



Caregivers

Find adventures in this guide with your Girl Scout!

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What Girl Scouts is All About

What do Girl Scouts do? Anything they set their minds to.

She's doing more than navigating a rocky trail; she's learning to problem solve and take a closer look at the world around her.

She's not just selling a box of Thin Mints; she's gaining the confidence to pitch to her first investor in her small business.

The giggles she shares with her troop members? She's building a support squad that will help her soar above peer pressure and tough times in school.

Every adventure in Girl Scouts sparks their curiosity, kindness, and can-do spirit. As they earn badges, help their communities, and make new friends, they'll have a blast every step of the way. That's what Girl Scouting is all about!

Girl Scout Mission

Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

Girl Scout Promise

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God* and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

**Members may substitute for the word God in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.*

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be
honest and fair,
friendly and helpful,
considerate and caring,
courageous and strong,
and responsible for what I say and do,
and to
respect myself and others,
respect authority,
use resources wisely,
make the world a better place,
and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

The Girl Scout Difference

At the heart of Girl Scouting is the Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE). This comprehensive Program empowers girls of all ages to discover their potential, build valuable skills, and make a positive impact in their communities and beyond. Girl Scouts learn to embrace challenges with courage, nurture confidence, and cultivate strong character. This focus on leadership and personal growth ensures that every Girl Scout has a journey that prepares her to lead with kindness and strength, now and in the future.

Four Pillars of the GSLE

Everything in Girl Scouts centers around our four pillars, designed to meet her where she is now and to grow along with her. Whether she's building a robot, learning mental wellness strategies, packing for her first camp, or advocating for change in her community, a Girl Scout has an exciting array of choices to suit her interests at every age.




Five Outcomes of the GSLE

Our GSLE is a one-of-a-kind leadership development Program for girls, with proven results. When girls participate in Girl Scouts, they thrive in five key ways:

1. Strong Sense of Self
2. Positive Values
3. Seeks Challenges
4. Healthy Relationships
5. Problem Solving

How Will You Participate?

Program Guide Key

Daisy	Girl Scout Daisies Grades K-1
Brownie	Girl Scout Brownies Grades 2-3
Junior	Girl Scout Juniors Grades 4-5
Cadette	Girl Scout Cadettes Grades 6-8
Senior	Girl Scout Seniors Grades 9-10
Ambassador	Girl Scout Ambassadors Grades 11-12
Juliette	Girl Scout Juliettes IRGs - All Ages
 All Levels	All Age Levels
Families	Families

Troop or Individual?

Girl Scouting is for every girl! Whether you're part of a troop or venture solo as an individual member, there is a place for you in Girl Scouts. Either way, you can do all the activities in this Program Events and Activities Guide! Read on to see which is best for you. There are two great ways to be a Girl Scout! How will you participate?

As a Troop Member...



You'll be a part of a fun group that meets regularly to plan activities together. With the support of Girl Scout volunteers, you'll set goals, collaborate on service projects, earn Girl Scout badges and participation patches, take part in entrepreneurship opportunities such as the Cookie Program, and explore new adventures. It's an opportunity to learn leadership skills, build lasting friendships, and make a positive impact in your community—all while having fun.

As an Individually Registered Girl (IRG/Juliette)...

You'll customize your Girl Scout journey with the support of an adult mentor of your choice. As a Juliette, you can participate in every aspect of Girl Scouting—special Program events, service projects, travel opportunities, camping and outdoor experiences, and selling Girl Scout Cookies! Without regular troop meetings, you have the flexibility to arrange activities around your schedule. You can even earn awards and recognitions, including the prestigious Gold Award as a Girl Scout Senior or Ambassador. Enjoy the full Girl Scout experience on your own terms!

More Program Information

Registrations

How to Register

- To register for a Program event or activity in this guide, please visit our website at **www.comgirlscouts.org**. In the top menu on the far right, click on the Calendar icon, which will say “Events” when hovered over.
- Another option to register is through your MyGS login. Log in and go to the My Account page. There, you will see My Events listed on the left-hand side menu. Click on My Events, then click “Register for another event”.

Important Information

- Program registration opens on October 7th at 6pm at **www.comgirlscouts.org**.
- Registration will close 10 days before the Program event. If you miss the registration deadline, you can still sign up to be placed on a waitlist.
- Registration is required to secure your spot!
- Confirmations will be emailed one week prior to each session. We must have a valid email address for confirmations.
- Keep an eye on the girl-to-adult ratio requirements. Most Program events and activities require participants to be currently registered members. If you need to renew your membership, log in to MyGS or contact the Help Desk at **gshelper@comgirlscouts.org** or at 804-746-0590, ext. 316.

Cancellations & Refunds

- 30+ days before the Program event: Program event fees can be transferred to a future event at no cost at the time of cancellation.
- 14-29 days before the Program event: Program event fees can be transferred to a future event at the time of cancellation. A \$5 processing fee will be incurred for each girl registrant.
- Less than 14 days before the Program event: Program event fees are not transferable.
- Council cancels the Program event: Full refunds will be issued. Refunds will be processed within two weeks.
- Fees for the Program event are non-refundable in the case of attendee(s) who cancel(s) or do not attend the Program event.
- No refunds will be given for any registrant who arrives late, leaves early, attends only part of the Program event or chooses not to attend the Program event.

Frequently Asked Questions



Who can register?

- Troop leaders can register their entire troop, partial troop, or individuals in MyEvents, which is the council’s online registration system. Girl Scout parents or caregivers can register themselves and their family.

Do accompanying adults need to be registered members?

- Unless stated otherwise, all in-person events and activities are members-only events. This means that all girl and adult attendees must be current members of Girl Scouts.

Can I drop off my Girl Scout?

- Unless stated otherwise, all Girl Scouts attending Program events are required to meet one of the following to ensure adult supervision:
- For troop events, troop volunteers use the girl-to-adult ratios to ensure proper registered adult coverage onsite. Troop volunteers should have a health history form on hand for each girl at each event. Individual girls attending troop events must be accompanied on site by a registered adult.
- Girls attending family Program events must be accompanied onsite by a registered adult.



Safety Guidelines

Some of the events and activities listed in this guide are open to girls only, with council staff or volunteers providing the necessary supervision. Other Program events require that adults register and attend with girls. For those Program events, adults must register for and attend the program (and be a current Girl Scout member) with girls using the below recommended volunteer-to-girl ratios. Volunteer-to-girl ratios show the minimum number of volunteers needed to supervise a specific number of girls and ensure their safety and health. Your group must have at least two unrelated, approved volunteers present at all times, plus additional volunteers as necessary for the group's size. Any adult who supervises girls must be at least 18 years old, a registered Girl Scout member, and background screened before volunteering. One troop co-leader in every group must be female.

	Volunteer-to-Girl Ratio	D	B	J	C	S	A
Troop or Group Meetings	Two unrelated volunteers (at least one of whom is female) for this number of girls:	12	20	25	25	30	30
	Plus one additional volunteer for each additional number of this many girls:	1-6	1-8	1-10	1-12	1-15	1-15
Events, Travel, Camp	Two unrelated volunteers (at least one of whom is female) for this number of girls:	6	12	16	20	24	24
	Plus one additional volunteer for each additional number of this many girls:	1-4	1-6	1-8	1-10	1-12	1-12

Family Program Events



Autumn Bliss Bash

All Levels **Juliettes** **Families** **+Tagalongs**

Saturday, October 26th, 2024, 2:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Fall into FUN at this year's Autumn Bliss Bash. Make the most of the day by gathering with your fellow Girl Scouts, family, and friends before the Juliette Gordon Low Campfire! Enjoy games, pumpkin decorating, sack races, and more. We'll also have delicious fall-themed food and drinks to keep you energized.

Have a friend that you want to join Girl Scouts? Bring her! This event is open to ALL and girls can even sign up for the new membership year right at the event. Start the season off right at Autumn Bliss Bash!

You'll earn: *Autumn Bliss Patch*

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome
Register by October 25th, 2024

Juliette Gordon Low Campfire

All Levels **Juliettes** **Families** **+Tagalongs**

Saturday, October 26th, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

End the evening with us at the J.Glow Campfire, now featuring a brand-new Glow-in-the-Dark Dance! Before the campfire starts, you'll get to create your own glowing gear, like cool lanterns, wands, and headbands. We'll dance and glow 'round the campfire to roast marshmallows, sing Girl Scout songs, make SWAPs, and share in the excitement of the upcoming year!

\$0/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome
Register by October 25th, 2024

Ashland Takeover

All Levels **Juliettes** **Families**

Saturday, November 9th, 2024, 10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Ashland, VA

Discover, Connect, and Take Action with our exciting new EXPLORE Patch Series at the Ashland Takeover! This event is open to Girl Scout troops and families, offering a fun and educational way to explore the unique aspects of Ashland, Virginia. Enjoy Girl Scout-friendly movies at the Ashland Theater, visit Randolph-Macon College, decorate cookies (10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.) at the Sugarfix Bakery, visit the Ashland Museum to learn about Secretariat the legendary racehorse, earn your Dance badge at the Ashland Dance Academy, and more. Earn your EXPLORE Historic Ashland patch by participating in this event or visiting anytime with your troop or family. If your troop or service unit is interested in creating a patch for your local community, please contact our Program department.

You'll earn: *EXPLORE Historic Ashland Patch*

\$0/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: 50/400 participants
Register by: November 8th, 2024



Cookie Rally

 All Levels  Juliettes  Families

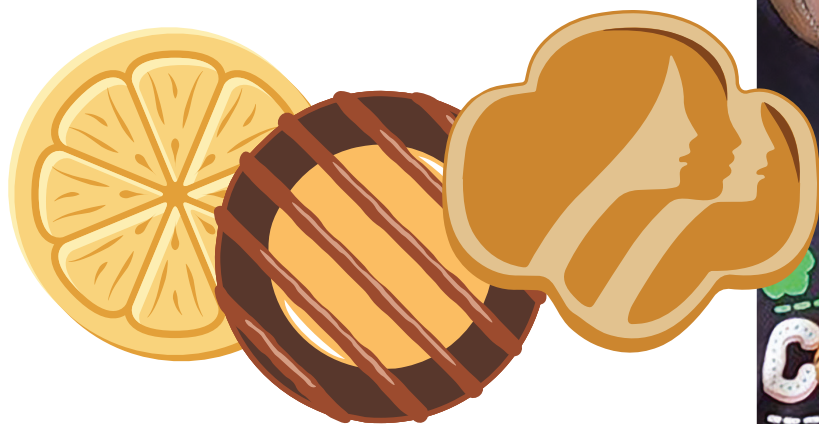
Sunday, December 8th, 2024, 2:30 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
Kings Dominion, VA

Get ready for cookie-themed fun and excitement as we kick off the 2025 Cookie Program at Kings Dominion's WinterFest! Girls will enjoy exclusive early access to the park for two hours before the gates open to the public—plenty of time to ride some of your favorite attractions. Plus, show off your creativity at our cookie decorating station and dive into tons of other sweet activities! Let's get ready to Rally!

Cost TBD

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by November 28th, 2024



Legislative Day at Virginia State Capitol

 All Levels  Juliettes  Families

Thursday, March 27th, 2025, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Virginia State Capitol, Richmond, VA

Step back in time and walk through the amazing Capitol building designed by Thomas Jefferson himself! You'll explore its historic halls, learn how laws are made, and even cast a mock vote in the House Chamber—just like real lawmakers. This hands-on adventure is perfect for anyone curious about how government works and eager to stand where history happened!

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by March 17th, 2025



Inhale Confidence, Exhale Doubt

Mental Wellness Programming

In the 2025 Membership Year, we're excited to continue our mental wellness programming initiative in partnership with Girl Scouts of the USA and the HCA Healthcare Foundation. The Inhale Confidence, Exhale Doubt initiative is designed to guide Girl Scouts through a year of activities, experiences, and connections that prioritize mental wellness, foster resilience, and empower each girl to embrace her unique strengths. Through a variety of engaging activities, workshops, discussions, family bonding events, and creative projects, girls will gain insights into mindfulness, stress management, self-care, and positive communication. The initiative encourages a supportive and inclusive environment where girls can openly explore their emotions, build healthy coping strategies, and form meaningful connections with their fellow Girl Scouts.

EmpowerMIND

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Saturday, January 11th, 2025 (CSA)

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond VA

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, January 25th, 2025 (DBJ)

Saturday, April 19th, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

EmpowerMIND is BACK! Start your day off on the right foot by joining us for a council-led morning of empowerment! Discover the magic of positive affirmations, feel the unity through music, seal your worries away in a worry jar, and create and take home your very own sensory jar. This will be a morning of self-care that you won't want to miss!

You'll gain: Techniques for positive thinking, a sense of community through music and shared experiences, and hands-on activities that promote emotional well-being.

You'll earn: Ready. Set. Strong Patch

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 2/20 adults

Register by: 10 days before the event

Girl Scouts Go Inside Out



All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Saturday, May 10th, 2025, 2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Are you ready to make some core memories? Then you'll want to join us at this year's fun-filled event inspired by the awesome movie *Inside Out 2*, where you'll dive into the world of emotions with amazing activities, games, and delicious treats. Imagine exploring your feelings through cool art projects, thrilling team challenges, and so much more! For younger girls, there will be interactive story time and creative crafts focused on understanding and expressing their emotions. Older girls will engage in more in-depth activities like emotion-based escape rooms and team challenges that dive deeper into emotional intelligence and self-discovery. Don't miss out on the chance to have a blast and discover new things about yourself. Dress up as your favorite emotion from the movie and join us for an unforgettable adventure at Girl Scouts Go Inside Out!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain new mental wellness strategies, deeper emotional understanding, and the support of a community that shows you're never alone in your feelings.

You'll earn: Daisies and Brownies will earn the Ready. Set. Strong Patch. Juniors will earn the Knowing My Emotions Badge. Cadettes will earn the Finding my Voice Badge. Seniors and Ambassadors will earn the Showing Up for Me and You Badge.

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by May 9th, 2025

Resilient. Ready. Strong. Activity Guide

For each skill, there are two activities. There are a total of 20 activities to choose from.

Understand Emotions

1. Create a “happy box” filled with five things that make you smile, such as photos, art supplies, books, or favorite toys. Open the box when you’re worried, upset, or just need a little cheering up.

2. Learn how to use mental imagery to prepare for your next hike, run, or sports activity. Mental imagery can improve your performance and build your self-confidence.



Share Stories

1. Share stories with your friends about your favorite holiday, your greatest adventure, or your dreams for the future! They will learn more about you— and you’ll find out more about them.

2. Create a family crest to tell the story of your family’s heritage, values, or memorable moments. Or design a crest for any group you belong to, such as a school club, athletic team, or your Girl Scout troop.

Get Moving

1. Do a cool dance, social-emotional activities, or yoga with UNICEF Kid Power®. Have fun and stay fit as you support food banks and people in need.

2. Create a new dance move for your favorite song. Dance to the beat every day for a week or throw a dance party and teach it to friends.



Practice Gratitude and Giving

1. Select and carry out a national Girl Scout service project to support your community.



2. Start a gratitude journal: jot down two or three things you’re thankful for and three to five things that make you happy. (They could be one and the same!) Do this every day for one to two weeks. When you’re done, record how the practice made you feel.

Experience Nature

1. Visit a garden in your community or your own backyard to get ideas for creating a garden of your own.

2. Go on a night sky scavenger hunt: identify stars, constellations, or planets. Use a book, star wheel, or an app to chart your way.



Connect with Animals

1. Put up a bird feeder, plant flowers to attract hummingbirds, or get outside to watch and listen to our feathered friends.



2. Find out what it’s like to have a career protecting animals by talking to a veterinarian, animal-rescue worker, or zookeeper.

Enjoy a Hobby

1. Find an outdoor scene—it might be a lake, creek, trail, or your own backyard. Draw, film, or photograph the scene several times during the day or on different days. Observe how weather and time of day change the scene’s appearance.

2. Sketch a still life three times, using a different medium (colored pencils, regular pencils, charcoal, ink pen, markers, pastels, crayons) each time.



Find Meaning

1. Create a keepsake—a painting, collage, song, poem, scrapbook, bookmark, piece of jewelry, or another object—that reminds you of your favorite line of the Girl Scout Law.



2. Every job offers different ways for you to help others. Choose two or three jobs that interest you and find out how they might add meaning to your and others’ lives: interview people in your community, watch videos, or read articles about these jobs.

Connect to Community

1. Music brings people together, and when people come together, they can build community. Make up a song about something you care about (friends, family, a favorite animal, etc.). Record your song and share it with others or sing it at an event.

2. You belong to a community of girls worldwide. Create a girls’ bill of rights that includes at least five things you think girls should have the right to do.



Take Action

1. Plant a tree to support the Girl Scout Tree Promise, and join a global movement to address climate change, one tree at time.



2. Learn the difference between community service and the Girl Scout concept of Take Action, then brainstorm some ways to engage in the latter! Girl Scout Junior or older? Start planning your Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award.

Visit www.girlscouts.org/wellness to try online activities and buy your patch.

Events & Activities

October



RVA Paddlesports: Class I-II Rapids

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Session 1: Saturday, October 12th, 2024

Session 2: Saturday, May 3rd, 2025

Session 3: Saturday, June 21st, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

RVA Paddlesports, Richmond, VA

Explore the James River while rafting in Virginia! All class levels will have an amazing journey rafting the James River from Pony Pasture to 14th Street. Enjoy the beautiful scenery, the city skyline, thrilling rapids, and lunch on an island.

***You'll gain:** Girl Scouts will develop resilience, confidence, and leadership skills as they navigate the rapids, fostering a lifelong appreciation for outdoor adventures and environmental stewardship.*

Meal included!

\$89/Girl Scout | \$89/Adult

Min/Max: 4/100 youth | 4/100 adults

Register by: 14 days before the event

Following lunch, Girl Scouts in this session will continue down the remainder of the river to take on the bigger rapids!

***You'll gain:** Girl Scouts will develop resilience, confidence, and leadership skills as they navigate the rapids, fostering a lifelong appreciation for outdoor adventures and environmental stewardship.*

Meal included!

\$99/Girl Scout | \$99/Adult

Min/Max: 4/100 youth | 4/100 adults

Register by: 14 days before the event

Design Your Digital World

Junior

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Tuesday, October 15th, 2024, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Tuesday, April 10th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Have you ever spent hours playing games like Roblox, Minecraft, or Candy Crush? Have you wondered what goes into designing a game like your favorites? Join us at Design Your Digital World! You'll explore the basics of User Interface & Experience (UI/UX), play with color palettes, design cool layouts, and discover key features for awesome apps. Let your creativity flow as you learn how to bring your app ideas to life. Who knows? You might just design the next big thing!

***You'll gain:** Girl Scouts will gain essential skills in UI/UX design, critical thinking, and creativity, laying a foundation for future careers in technology and digital innovation.*

***You'll earn:** All Girl Scouts will gain steps towards earning their Digital Game Design badge.*

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 2/15 adults

Register by October 5th, 2024

RVA Paddlesports: Class I-IV Rapids

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Session 1: Saturday, October 12th, 2024

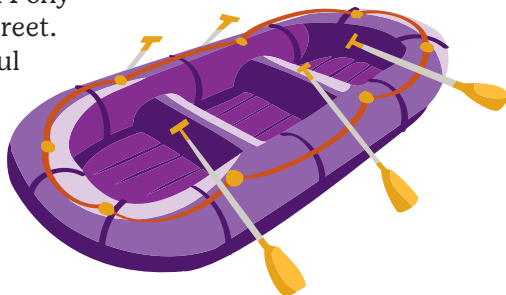
Session 2: Saturday, May 3rd, 2025

Session 3: Saturday, June 21st, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

RVA Paddlesports, Richmond, VA

Explore the James River while rafting in Virginia! All class levels will have an amazing journey rafting the James River from Pony Pasture to 14th Street. Enjoy the beautiful scenery, the city skyline, thrilling rapids, and lunch on an island.



Ballot Battle Walking Tour

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Session 1: Sunday, October 20th, 2024

Session 2: Sunday, November 3rd, 2024

12:30 P.M. – 2:30 P.M.

Bolling-Haxall House, Richmond, VA

Step back in time and explore a battle that divided Richmond social circles and families. Between 1909 and 1920, both pro-suffrage and anti-suffrage activists struggled tenaciously to persuade the public and the legislature of their views on women's right to vote. On this downtown walking tour, Richmond's most experienced tour guides will show you the iconic sites that were key to the fight, while exploring the diverse figures and perspectives that influenced the Richmond suffrage movement. Please wear comfortable walking shoes and bring water.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain a deeper understanding of the historic struggle for women's suffrage. This tour will help girls appreciate the power of activism and inspire them to appreciate and contribute to ongoing efforts for equality and justice.

\$16/Girl Scout | \$4/Adult

Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 2/5 adults

Register by: 10 days before the event

You'll Gain: Girl Scouts will gain confidence, creativity, and teamwork skills as they explore various aspects of musical theater, including stage presence, vocal performance, and improvisation. Participants may even discover a new passion and/or career path.

You'll earn: Brownie Dancer Badge (Workshop 4), Junior Practice with Purpose Badge (Workshop 2), Cadette Screenwriter Badge (Workshop 1)

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/40 youth | 2/15 adults

Register by: 10 days before the event

In the Spotlight

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Workshop 1: Improv & Screenwriting - Tuesday, October 29th, 2024

Workshop 2: Stage Makeup - Tuesday, November 12th, 2024

Workshop 3: Backstage & Behind the Scenes - Tuesday, December 3rd, 2024

Workshop 4: Musical Theater - Tuesday, January 7th, 2025

Workshop 5: Theater Games - Tuesday, January 21st, 2025

6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.

Locations TBD, Richmond and Fredericksburg Areas

Lights, camera, ACTION! Get ready to take center stage at our In the Spotlight theater workshop series! From stage makeup to singing and improv, you will have the opportunity to engage in hands-on activities to discover and cultivate the performer in you, on AND off stage. No experience needed—just bring your enthusiasm! Don't miss out on this chance to shine!



November



Curtains Up, Lights Out Overnight

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Friday, November 1st, 2024, 5:00 P.M. to
Saturday, November 2nd, 11:30 A.M.
Virginia Repertory Theatre, Richmond, VA

Join us for an exciting overnight event at the Virginia Rep Center for Arts and Education. Enjoy engaging theatre workshops and activities, a sleepover in the theatre, a G-rated movie night, and a delicious continental breakfast. The experience concludes with tickets to the family season show, *Grace for President*, featuring a GSCV Gold Award Girl Scout Alum as a member of the cast! Don't miss this unique and fun-filled theatre adventure!



\$75/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: 15/35 youth | 2/35 adults
Register by October 18th, 2024

Richlands Dairy Farm

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, November 2nd, 2024
Saturday, March 29th, 2025
Saturday, May 17th, 2025
Saturday, June 14th, 2025
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Richlands Dairy Farm, Blackstone, VA

Try your hand at milking a cow! This family-owned farm provides the best possible care for their cows, practices good environmental stewardship, and provides an open and honest look into dairy farming. Stop by the creamery and purchase delicious ice cream!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will learn about farm life, sustainable practices, and the importance of caring for animals and the environment.

\$13/Girl Scout | \$10/Adult
Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 2/10 adults
Register by: 10 days before the event

Fire Station Tour

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Tour 1 – Saturday, November 9th, 2024
Tour 2 – Saturday, April 5th, 2025
10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
City of Richmond Fire Department, Richmond, VA

Tour 1 – Saturday, November 9th, 2024
Tour 2 – Saturday, April 5th, 2025
10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
City of Fredericksburg Fire Department,
Fredericksburg, VA

Join us for an exciting and educational tour of your local Fire Department! Learn about fire safety, explore the fire trucks, and meet the brave firefighters who keep our community safe. This guided tour offers an inside look at the daily operations of a fire station and the equipment used in emergency situations. Perfect for any Girl Scout interested in public safety and community service, this tour provides a unique opportunity to gain valuable knowledge and interact with local heroes.

You'll gain: Essential fire safety knowledge that will stick with you, a solid understanding of firefighting equipment and operations, and the confidence to recognize and understand what's happening when you see a fire truck in action.

\$3/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 2/15 adults
Register by: 14 days before the event

SPCA

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, November 9th, 2024,
12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. (D), 2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. (B)
Saturday, November 23rd, 2024,
12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. (J)
Saturday, March 1st, 2025,
12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. (D), 2:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M. (B)
Saturday, March 15th, 2025,
12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M. (J)
Richmond SPCA, Richmond, VA

Discover the heart of animal care at the Richmond SPCA! Take a guided tour of the facility, meet some of the wonderful animals, and learn about their daily lives. Whether you're a lifelong animal lover or a bit unsure around pets, this interactive experience offers hands-on learning about pet health and shelter operations. Find out how the SPCA cares for furry friends, the importance of their well-being, and how you can make a difference in their lives. This will be an enriching experience that brings you closer to understanding and supporting our animal companions!

You'll gain: Participants will learn about taking care of animals and running a shelter, gaining useful knowledge that can inspire a lasting interest in helping animals.

You'll earn: Daisies will earn a participation patch, Brownies will earn their Pets Badge, and Juniors will earn their Animal Habitats Badge.

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 2/10 adults
Register by: 10 days before the event

Cinematic Magic

 All Levels  Juliettes  Families

Saturday, November 16th, 2024,
5:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Have you ever wanted to taste the snow cones from *Monsters, Inc.*? What about the empanadas from *Encanto*? Join us for an immersive movie experience at Cinematic Magic! During this special event, girls will not only watch a movie they love, but also immerse themselves in the world of the film like never before. From enjoying delicious dishes inspired by the movie to playing games and singing along to iconic songs, there's something for everyone to enjoy! Plus, you'll get to help choose the movie—keep an eye out for our social media poll and cast your vote! Come join us for fun, laughter, and cinematic magic as we create lasting memories together. Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to bring the big screen to life with your fellow Girl Scouts! The movie will begin at 6:30 P.M. sharp! You'll earn: Cinematic Magic Patch

\$5/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome
Register by November 15th, 2024

RVA Financial

 Daisy  Brownie  Junior  Juliettes

Wednesday, November 20th, 2024,
5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. (DBJ)

 Cadette  Senior  Ambassador  Juliettes

Wednesday, March 19th, 2024,
5:30 P.M. - 7:00 P.M. (CSA)
GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Join us for an engaging and educational experience with RVA Financial! In this hands-on workshop, girls will learn the essentials of financial literacy, including budgeting, saving, and smart spending habits. Designed to empower our future leaders, this program encourages responsible money management and sets the foundation for lifelong financial success. Younger girls will engage in interactive games and activities that introduce the basics of budgeting and saving. Older girls will dive deeper with real-life scenarios and projects that help them develop advanced financial planning skills and strategies. Perfect for Girl Scouts of all ages eager to take charge of their financial futures!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will learn how to make smart choices with money directly from professionals, helping them build good habits that will last a lifetime.

You'll earn: Girls will gain steps towards earning: Daisy Money Explorer Badge, Brownie Budget Builder Badge, Junior Budget Maker Badge, Cadette Budget Maker Badge, Senior Savvy Saver Badge, and Cadette Financial Planner Badge.

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult | Min/Max: 10/40 girls | 5/15 adults
Register by: 10 days before event

Eagle Tour

 Brownie  Junior  Cadette  Juliettes

Saturday, November 23rd, 2024, 1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Saturday, April 5th, 2025, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Caledon State Park, King George, VA

The bald eagle, America's great comeback icon, soars wild and free over the Potomac River. Learn about the biology and history of the eagle and why so many can be found at Caledon. Take a ride on a wagon to the river, where you'll aim to watch eagles as they soar and perch over the shoreline. Bring your own binoculars or borrow a pair from a Ranger!

\$5/Girl Scout | \$2/Adult | Min/Max: 1/20 youth | 2/5 adults
Register by: 14 days before event

December



BrickBot Builders

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, December 7th, 2024

Saturday, January 4th, 2025

Saturday, March 8th, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Unleash your creativity and engineering skills with our BrickBot Builders workshop, where you'll design and build your very own LEGO robots. At this Program event, you'll learn the basics of robotics and coding in a fun and unique way! This workshop is perfect for any Girl Scout interested in STEM and looking to explore the exciting intersection of LEGO building and robotics.

You'll gain: A strong foundation in robotics and coding that can spark a lifelong interest in STEM, practical skills in creative problem-solving and teamwork, and the confidence to tackle future challenges in technology and engineering. This workshop is designed to inspire the next generation of innovators, showing how fun and impactful STEM can be.

You'll earn: Robotics Badge

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 5/15 adults

Register by: 10 days before event

Machines and Contraptions

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, December 14th, 2024

Saturday, January 11th, 2025

Saturday, February 1st, 2025

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Snapology, Glen Allen, VA

Did you know you can use LEGO bricks to become an engineer? At Machines and Contraptions, you'll build, explore, and understand mechanical movement and simple machines in a fun, interactive way. You'll build different machines and contraptions,



test physics concepts, and play exciting games, all while discovering the magic of engineering through the creativity of LEGO. Whether you're a budding builder or a curious thinker, this event is a fantastic opportunity to become an engineer in a unique way!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain hands-on experiences with LEGO-based engineering, a deeper understanding of how machines work, and the excitement of learning through play.

You'll earn: Mechanical Engineering Badge

\$25/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 15/25 youth | 2/10 adults

Register by: 10 days before event

My Family Story

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Sunday, December 8th, 2024, 9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

The Valentine, Richmond, VA

Discover the secrets of Richmond's past with a fun and exciting adventure at the Valentine Museum! Explore the cool 1812 Wickham House and hear stories about real families who lived in Richmond long ago. You'll even get to start your very own family tree and learn about awesome tools to dig up fun facts about your house, neighborhood, or relatives. Who knows what amazing history you'll uncover?

Following this program, Girl Scouts and their families are invited to stay for The Valentine's Winter Wander, which will be taking place from 12:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M. Winter Wander is the Valentine's annual free holiday event filled

with family fun and activities. Take a tour of the Court End neighborhood, explore the historic Wickham House, craft pressed clay ornaments, and enjoy musical performances throughout the day. Visitors will also be able to hop on a free shuttle from the Valentine to visit nearby cultural sites for open houses and special tours.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain skills to research and understand their family's heritage. This experience will



help shape their identity and strengthen their ties to Richmond's rich history.

\$16/Girl Scout | \$4/Adult
Min/Max: 10/40 youth | 2/10 adults
Register by November 28th, 2024

Fossil Find

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, December 14th, 2024,
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Saturday, May 31st, 2025,
1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.
Caledon State Park, King George, VA

Did you know that Caledon was once the ocean floor? Come hunt for shark teeth on the shoreline of the Potomac! Join a Ranger to learn how fossils are formed and what types can be found here, then take a wagon ride to the beach to hunt for yourself. Finders keepers!

Terrain includes sand, grass, and gravel paths. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes that can get wet.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain a deeper appreciation for the history of our planet and the process of fossil formation and paleontology.

\$5/Girl Scout | \$2/Adult
Min/Max: 1/20 youth | 2/5 adults
Register by: 14 days before event

The Nutcracker

Richmond Ballet with Richmond Symphony

All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Sunday, December 15th, 2024, 5:30 P.M.
The Carpenter Theater, Richmond, VA

Stoner Winslett's production of the beloved holiday classic has charmed Virginians for more than four decades. With its stunning choreography, lavish sets and costumes, and Tchaikovsky's iconic score, *The Nutcracker* is a magical experience for audiences of all ages! Girl Scouts and their families will enjoy a special post-show Q&A session following the show.

\$ Multiple options available/Girl Scout and Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome

Virginia Theatre Machine *A Christmas Carol*

All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Thursday, December 19th, 2024, 7:30 P.M.
The Firehouse Theatre, Richmond, VA

The Virginia Theatre Machine (VTM) brings its wildly popular touring production of Charles Dickens' holiday classic, *A Christmas Carol*, to Firehouse Theatre. The "abbreviation" of *A Christmas Carol* is performed with 2 actors, 3 musicians, and 10 puppets in a fantastical production geared for ages 6 and up. Watch as Ebenezer Scrooge confronts ghosts and visions from his past, present, and future and marvel as the performers transform themselves into multiple characters of all ages, genders and ghostly varieties, exploring a full range of emotions that transport the audience from hope to laughter, to pity, to shock, to love, to despair, and back to hope again! It's funny, at times a little scary, full of puppets and special effects, and a pointedly heartfelt story that has delighted audiences for decades.



You'll gain: Girl Scouts will have a special opportunity to stay after the show to interact with the cast, ask questions, and discover the behind-the-scenes details of theatre and performance.

You'll earn: Virginia Theatre Machine Fun Patch

\$20/Girl Scout | \$10/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome

January



Groove n' Glow

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Friday, January 10th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge, Dance Studio

Get ready for an amazing Girl Scout event where Daisies, Brownies, and Juniors can shine and groove! We'll have glow sticks, light wands, and black lights to bring the dance floor to life as we jump, dance, and move to express feelings like joy and curiosity. This event is all about having a blast, boosting our energy, and feeling fantastic inside and out. Come dance with us and discover how awesome it feels to move and shine!

You'll gain: *This event will help Girl Scouts feel empowered and inspired, using dance and movement to boost both their inner strength and outward energy.*

You'll earn: *Brownie Dancer Badge, Junior Staying Fit Badge*

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome
Register by January 9th, 2024

Celebrating Community

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, January 18th, 2025, 12:30 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.
The Valentine, Richmond, VA

Learn about your community by identifying state and local symbols and exploring the landmarks and monuments of Capitol Square. Girl Scouts will learn about the women who shaped our state's history, and explore *Mantle*, the tribute to Virginia Indians, and the First Freedom Center where the statute for Religious Freedom was signed. This event is a walking tour but will move indoors if the weather is too cold.

We encourage Girl Scouts to meet after the event at One Way Cream & Goodies, a local ice cream shop that's a ten-minute walk from The Valentine!

You'll gain: *Girl Scouts will gain a deeper appreciation for their community's history and heritage, with lasting knowledge of local symbols, landmarks, and influential figures. This experience will help Girl Scouts connect with Virginia's past and inspire them to become a more informed and engaged citizen.*

\$16/Girl Scout | \$4/Adult
Min/Max: 10/40 youth | 2/10 adults
Register by January 8th, 2025

No-Bake Bites

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA
Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Join us on a flavorful journey into the world of nutritious and delicious eating! From mouthwatering recipes to interactive cooking demos, this event is bursting with tips and tricks for creating easy snacks that don't require an oven! Younger girls will enjoy hands-on activities and simple, fun recipes for making tasty, no-bake snacks. Older girls will dive into more complex recipes and learn tips for creating nutritious meals and snacks that are both delicious and easy to prepare.

You'll gain: *Girl Scouts will gain skills for making delicious snacks and meals that make them feel great! By learning how to create tasty, easy-to-make treats, girls will discover how enjoyable it can be to cook and eat nutritious foods.*

You'll earn: *Girls will gain steps towards earning: Brownie Snacks Badge, Junior Simple Meals Badge, Cadette Eating for You Badge, Senior Locavore Badge, Ambassador Dinner Party Badge.*

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 2/20 adults
Register by January 18th, 2025



February

In Our Friendship Bracelet Era

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Tuesday, February 11th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Tuesday, February 11th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

“Make the friendship bracelets, take the moment and taste it.” Join us for a dazzling jewelry making workshop tailored for Daisies, Brownies, Juniors, and Cadettes. We’ll have all sorts of beads, charms, and sparkles to craft our own unique accessories. From bracelets to earrings, necklaces to keychains, let your imagination run wild as you design pieces that reflect your personal style. Feel free to trade your creations with the new friends you’ll make!

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 2/20 adults

Register by February 1st, 2025

Galentine’s Day Sleepover

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Friday, February 7th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. to
Saturday, February 8th, 2025, 10:00 A.M.
Location TBD

Get excited for our exclusive Galentine’s Night indoor sleepover—a special celebration of sisterhood and friendship just for you. Join us for a cozy evening filled with crafting, storytelling, and bonding activities. We’ll share laughs, enjoy tasty treats, and celebrate the amazing girls and women in our lives. This is your chance to make lasting memories and strengthen the unique friendships that make Girl Scouts so incredible. Bring your spirit, a sleeping bag, and your favorite PJs for a night of fun and connection. Get ready for a night to remember at our Galentine’s Night indoor sleepover!

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/40 youth | 2/10 adults

Register by January 28th, 2025

Cinderella

Richmond Ballet with Richmond Symphony

All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Saturday, February 15th, 2025, 2:00 P.M.
The Carpenter Theater, Richmond, VA

Ben Stevenson’s enchanting *Cinderella* makes its Virginia premiere this February. The acclaimed choreographer is best known to Richmond audiences for his production of *Dracula*, which enthralled audiences during its sold-out run last season. Girl Scouts and their families will enjoy a special Q&A session following the show.

\$ Multiple options available/Girl Scout and Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome

Once Upon a Star

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, February 22nd, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M.
Widewater State Park, Stafford, VA

Get ready for an out-of-this-world experience at Widewater State Park! With the help of expert guides, you’ll learn to identify constellations, planets, and even spot distant galaxies. Bring your curiosity and a sense of adventure as we uncover the secrets of the night sky. Whether you’re making wishes on shooting stars or learning the stories behind the constellations, this is one cosmic journey you won’t want to miss!

You’ll gain: *Girl Scouts will gain the skills to navigate the night sky, identify constellations and planets, and explore the wonders of space, sparking a deeper appreciation for the universe beyond.*

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/60 youth | 3/20 adults

Register by February 12th, 2025

March



Say Click! Take a Pic!

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Monday, March 10th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Monday, March 10th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Capture the world through your lens at our new photography event for Cadettes, Seniors, and Ambassadors! Join fellow shutterbugs for an event filled with creativity, exploration, and skill-building. Learn the art of composition, lighting techniques, and storytelling through photography. Whether you're a seasoned pro or just starting out, this event offers something for everyone. Grab your camera and unleash your inner artist as we embark on a visual journey together!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain advanced photography skills, a deeper understanding of visual storytelling, and enhanced creativity, setting the stage for potential future pursuits in photography and visual arts.

You'll earn: Ambassadors will gain steps towards their Photographer Badge

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/10 adults

Register by February 28th, 2025



Teeny-Tiny Treasures



All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Tuesday March 11th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Tuesday, March 11th, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Step into the whimsical world of miniatures with our Tiny Treasures Workshop! Let your imagination run wild as you design and build your pint-sized masterpieces. Younger girls will create simple and charming miniature crafts like teeny foods and tiny pets. Older girls will take on more intricate projects, designing and creating miniature fairy gardens and accessories to showcase their creativity. This trendy and enchanting workshop is perfect for those who love all things small and delightful. Don't miss out on the fun – it's time to think big and go tiny!

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/10 adults

Register by March 1st, 2025

Friendship Fiesta

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, March 22nd, 2025, 10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Join us for a fun-filled event designed just for our younger Girl Scouts to come and be themselves! Come play games, dance to your favorite songs, get your face painted, enjoy snacks, and have a great time together. It's a perfect opportunity to make new friends and create wonderful memories. Don't miss out on this chance to relax and have a blast with other Girl Scouts in our Council!

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by March 21st, 2025

Girl Scout Social

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Saturday, March 22nd, 2025, 12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Join us for a fun-filled event designed just for our older Girl Scouts to come and be themselves! Come play games, hang out with friends, enjoy snacks, and have a great time together. It's a perfect opportunity to make new friends, enjoy some downtime, and create wonderful memories. Don't miss out on this chance to relax and have a blast with other Girl Scouts in our Council!

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult
Min/Max: All Welcome
Register by March 21st, 2025

Fossil Find

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, March 29th, 2025, 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Widewater State Park, Stafford, VA

Unearth the mysteries of the past with Widewater at Fossil Find! Get ready for a hands-on exploration where you'll become a junior paleontologist for the day. Dig into the fascinating world of fossils, learn how they are formed, and discover what they tell us about ancient life on Earth.

Terrain includes sand, grass, and gravel paths. Dress for the weather and wear sturdy shoes that can get wet.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain a deeper appreciation for the history of our planet and the process of fossil formation and paleontology.

\$5/Girl Scout | \$2/Adult
Min/Max: 5/50 youth | 2/15 adults
Register by: March 15th, 2025



April



Super Sloppy Science

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Saturday, April 12th, 2025, 10:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.
GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Saturday, May 31st, 2025, 10:00 A.M. -12:00 P.M.
Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Are you tired of slime? Well get ready to unleash your inner scientist and get your hands dirty at Super Sloppy Science! We'll have seriously messy experiments that go beyond just glue and food coloring. Join forces with your Girl Scout friends for an event packed with exciting STEM adventures. We're bringing science to life with hands-on experiments that are as messy as they are marvelous.

You'll gain: *Girl Scouts will gain a deeper appreciation for STEM through hands-on, interactive experiments, focusing on critical thinking, creativity, and teamwork.*

You'll earn: *STEM Career Exploration Badge*

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/25 adults

Registration closes 10 days before event



Tree ID Hike

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, April 12th, 2025, 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.
Widewater State Park, Stafford, VA

Join Widewater State Park on an exciting Tree ID Hike and discover the wonders of nature! On this educational adventure, you'll learn to identify different tree species, explore their unique features, and understand their role in the environment. With the help of experienced guides, you'll learn how to identify different trees and discover how they each play a role in nature. This hike will help you see the beauty of the outdoors and make you feel more connected to the environment. Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes and bring a curious spirit!

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/50 youth | 2/15 adults

Register by: March 29th, 2025

Wild Edibles

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Saturday, April 19th, 2025, 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
Widewater State Park, Stafford, VA

Ever wondered what you can eat in the wild? Join us for "Wild Edibles," where you'll learn how to identify and safely enjoy nature's tastiest treats! From foraging for wild berries to recognizing edible plants, this hands-on adventure will teach you the skills you need to explore the outdoors with confidence. You'll discover the amazing foods that grow all around us and learn important tips for staying safe while foraging. Get ready to taste the wild and see nature in a whole new way!

You'll gain: *Girl Scouts will gain valuable foraging skills to confidently identify and enjoy edible plants in the wild, while learning how to safely explore and appreciate the natural world around you.*

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/50 youth | 2/15 adults

Register by April 9th, 2025

Flavor Makers at Ruby Scoops

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, April 19th, 2025

Saturday, May 24th, 2025

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Join us for a deliciously fun morning at Ruby Scoops, Richmond's beloved local ice cream shop! At this special Girl Scout event, you'll get a behind-the-scenes look at how these sweet treats are made and discover the science behind the perfect scoop! Learn how Chef Rabia started her business, crafts her signature flavors, and even try your hand at creating your own unique concoction with Girl Scout Cookies! And of course, you'll get a chance to sample the ice cream, too! Whether you're a future foodie or just love a good dessert, this event is the perfect blend of science and sweetness.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain fun science skills as they see how ice cream is made and create their own tasty flavors. Plus, girls will get to enjoy delicious ice cream and learn about starting a business from Chef Rabia!

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: TBD

Register by: 10 days before the event

Mixed Herb Garden Workshop

Junior

Juliettes

Monday, April 21st, 2025, 10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Maymont, Richmond, VA

While school is out on April 21st, head to Maymont to create a beautiful mixed herb container garden with guidance from Maymont staff in this make-and-take workshop. Learn from Maymont's horticulture experts about the care, harvesting, and culinary uses of the herbs you pick for your container garden. Bring your own gloves; all other materials will be provided.

***You'll gain:** Girl Scouts will gain gardening skills and a deeper understanding of how to grow and use herbs. This workshop will help girls build confidence in caring for plants, all while creating something beautiful to take home.*

\$15/Girl Scout | \$8/Adult

Min/Max: 20/80 youth | 3/20 adults

Register by April 11th, 2025

Aquatic Adventure Overnight

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Friday, April 25th, 2025, 5:00 P.M. to

Saturday, April 26th, 2025, 10:00 A.M.

Virginia Aquarium, Virginia Beach, VA

Get ready for an unforgettable overnight experience at the Virginia Aquarium! Spend the night surrounded by fascinating marine life, take a guided night walk to discover the aquarium's nocturnal animals, and enjoy a variety of aquatic-themed activities. You'll receive a night snack before drifting off to sleep with the animals, then wake up to a delicious continental breakfast. The adventure continues the next day with free entrance to explore the aquarium!

***You'll earn:** Aquatic Adventure fun patch*

\$75/Girl Scout | \$50/Adult

Min/Max: 50/100 youth | 10/50 adults

Register by April 1st, 2025



May



I Can Help, Too!

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Thursday, May 1st, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Thursday, May 1st, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Want to earn the NEW First-Aid badge? In this exciting event, girls will learn the basics of staying safe and helping others in need. From bandaging boo-boos to understanding when to call for help, our younger Girl Scouts will gain confidence and knowledge that could one day save a life. It's a fun-filled event of learning and empowerment, where every girl becomes a hero!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain essential first aid skills, confidence in emergency situations, and a sense of responsibility, empowering them to help others and stay safe.

You'll earn: Brownie First Aid Badge, Junior First Aid Badge

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/25 adults

Register by April 21st, 2025

Harmony in Mind

All Levels

Juliettes

Sunday, May 4th, 2025

9:30 A.M. - 11:30 A.M. (DBJ)

11:30 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. (CSA)

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Music is often described as the language of the soul, as it can express emotions and ideas that are difficult to put into words. At Harmony in Mind, you'll find peace in the world of music and mindfulness. Younger girls will enjoy fun activities like creating simple songs, making mood-based playlists, and exploring relaxing musical exercises. Older girls will dive deeper into songwriting, craft personalized playlists for various emotions, and practice advanced mindfulness techniques to strengthen their emotional well-being. Discover how music can make you feel great and learn cool musical skills to help you feel stronger when times are tough.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will develop lasting skills in emotional awareness and self-expression, providing them with valuable techniques to navigate challenges and maintain a sense of balance and well-being through music.

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by May 3rd, 2025

Night Hike

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Juliettes

Families

Saturday, May 17th, 2025, 6:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Maymont, Richmond, VA

Prepare for a night of adventure on the Maymont grounds! Girl Scouts will learn important skills and tools to prepare for a hike through the park. While journeying through the park, a Maymont educator will help Girl Scouts spot and identify the wildlife that wakes up after the sun has set! Be sure to bring a water bottle and dress for the weather. Rain or Shine.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain hiking skills, wildlife identification knowledge for nocturnal animals, and work towards earning the Trail Adventure and Night Owl badges during an exciting night hike through Maymont.

\$15/Girl Scout | \$8/Adult

Min/Max: 20/80 youth | 3/20 adults

Register by May 7th, 2025



Symphony Safari

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Wednesday, May 21st, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

Have you ever wanted to play a guitar? Or what about a xylophone? Get ready to explore musical instruments made just for you. At Symphony Safari, you'll get to discover all kinds of cool instruments, some you might not have heard of before! You'll get to touch, hear, and learn about each instrument through fun activities and demos. Come and find your favorite instrument and see where your love for music takes you!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain an appreciation for a variety of musical instruments, enhance their musical knowledge, and discover potential new hobbies and interests through interactive exploration.

You'll earn: Juniors will gain steps towards earning the Musician Badge

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/25 adults

Register by May 11th, 2025

Watershed Wonders

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, May 31st, 2025, 10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Widewater State Park, Stafford, VA

Join Widewater State Park for a day of exploring local waterways, discovering fascinating wildlife, and learning about the importance of watersheds. With hands-on activities and fun adventures, you'll get to see how our environment works and why it's so important to protect it. Bring your curiosity and get ready for an exciting day outdoors!

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will gain a deeper understanding of how waterways and wildlife are connected, along with practical ways you can help protect the environment through hands-on exploration and outdoor adventures.

\$5/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 5/50 youth | 2/15 adults

Register by May 17th, 2025



June



Girl Scouts Memory Lane

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Tuesday, June 3rd, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

GSCV Service Center, Richmond, VA

Tuesday, June 3rd, 2025, 5:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Location TBD, Fredericksburg Area

“Don’t cry because it’s over, smile because it happened.” Take a trip down memory lane and let your creativity shine as we craft beautiful scrapbooks packed with your favorite memories and moments from your Girl Scout journey. This isn’t just about making art—it’s about capturing all the highlights, milestones, and friendships that have meant the most to you. Bring some of your own pictures from over the years to create a personalized keepsake that’ll remind you of every laugh, adventure, and triumph long after high school. Don’t miss this opportunity to make something truly special.

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/25 adults

Register by May 24th, 2025

Agriberry Farm and CSA



All Levels

Juliettes

Families

Saturday, June 21st, 2025

Saturday, July 19th, 2025

Saturday, August 16th, 2025

Saturday, September 13th, 2025

9:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Agriberry Farm and CSA, Central Region

Take a tour of Agriberry Farm and pick your own berries! At Agriberry Farms, you’ll learn about the history of the farm, the lifecycle of caneberries, small fruit farming practices, and much more. Head on out to explore the farm, pick berries, and make memories!

Note to all participants: Closed-toed shoes are required. A hat and long pants are encouraged. Please bring a full water bottle, as well as sunscreen and bug spray, if you require either.

You’ll gain: Girl Scouts will learn about soil regeneration, sustainable farming practices, and the importance of small fruit farming. This event provides a deeper understanding of the long-term benefits of caring for the land and could spark a passion for working on a farm.

\$12/Girl Scout | \$12/Adult

Min/Max: 10/25 youth | 10/25 adults

Register by: 14 days before the event





Additional

Cyber4+

Cadette

Juliettes

Date & Time TBD

SimVentions, Fredericksburg Area

Ready to unlock the secrets of the digital world? Join us for an exciting Cyber4+ event, where you'll explore what it takes to be a cybersecurity pro and discover how you can start your journey towards a high-tech, high-impact career. You'll learn how to protect against cyber threats, solve digital puzzles, and even explore real-world scenarios that cybersecurity experts face every day. Plus, you'll connect with other Girl Scouts who share your passion for tech!

Be on the lookout for more information on the date and time in S'more News!

Cost TBD

Min/Max: 10/50 youth | 5/25 adults

Register by TBD

cyber4+

STEM the Gap Academy - Chess Girl

All Levels

Please visit www.comgirlscouts.org to choose your own dates and times.

Virtual

Join STEM the Gap Academy and boost your confidence and skills through the exciting game of chess! Learn how strategic thinking and planning in chess translate to real-life problem-solving and leadership. Just like a pawn needs to ensure the space is safe before advancing, or how the queen's versatility teaches adaptability, you'll gain insights that go beyond the chessboard. Choose your own class dates and times and connect with Girl Scouts from other councils for a fun and unique learning experience!



No prior chess experience or chess boards are needed, as activities will be conducted using a virtual chessboard.

You'll earn: Chess Girl Patch with their corresponding level's charm. Daisies will earn the Mechanical Engineering: Board Games Badge, Brownies will earn the Making Games Badge, and Cadettes will earn the Good Sportsmanship Badge.



Women Warriors



All Levels

Juliettes

Families

First Wednesday of each month:

Session 1: October 2nd, 2024

Session 2: November 6th, 2024

Session 3: December 4th, 2024

Session 4: January, 8th, 2025

Session 5: February 5th, 2025

Session 6: March 5th, 2025

Session 7: April 2nd, 2025

Session 8: May 7th, 2025

Session 9: June 4th, 2025

6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Virtual

Join us for “Women Warriors,” a monthly event celebrating the strength and contributions of women throughout history and today. Each month, we’ll spotlight women from that month’s awareness focus. Through storytelling, discussions, and activities, we’ll honor their achievements, resilience, and impact on our world. We’ll learn about Famous Girl Scout Alums and women that have made impacts in our four pillars—Life Skills, STEM, Entrepreneurship, and Outdoors. This is a chance to learn, share, and celebrate the diverse and powerful women who have shaped history and continue to inspire us all. Don’t miss out on this empowering journey with Women Warriors!

You’ll gain: Girl Scouts will gain inspiration from a diverse range of women who have made significant impacts in our society. This event will help girls see the many ways women can shape the world and inspire them to explore their own path with confidence and creativity.

\$0/Girl Scout | \$0/Non-member | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: All Welcome

Register by the day before each session



Real Life Academy

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

These *virtual sessions* are designed to inspire confidence in an ever-changing world.

Ready to Vote

Thursday, October 24th, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

Join us as we prepare for the upcoming election with insights on voter registration, understanding ballot measures, and making informed choices. This year presents a pivotal opportunity to exercise your civic duty and make your voice heard. Let's explore the power of voting and get ready to participate in shaping our future!

Your Digital Footprint

Thursday, November 7th, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

Learn from our very own Director of Marketing and Communications, Janna Joyner, to understand the impact of your online presence and how to manage your digital footprint responsibly and professionally.

Let's Budget

Thursday, December 5th, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

You want to buy the new iPhone, but don't know the first place to start when it comes to saving up! Learn essential budgeting skills to manage your finances confidently and effectively in today's world.

How to Get the Job

Thursday, January 16th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

Learn some valuable tips and strategies for acing interviews, writing resumes, and navigating the job application process successfully directly from a hiring manager.



What to Do When You Get Pulled Over?

Thursday, January 30th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

Gain confidence in handling traffic stops with insights from a cop and a judge. Learn how to navigate interactions with law enforcement safely and responsibly, understand your rights, and ask questions directly to experts.

Your Safe Space

Thursday, February 20th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Virtual

Learn practical safety habits and strategies to stay aware of your surroundings in various situations, empowering you to stay safe.

Outdoors



Camp Sampler

 All Levels 

Session 1:

Friday, Oct. 4th, 2024 – Saturday, Oct. 5th, 2024

Session 2:

Friday, April 11th, 2025 – Saturday, April 12th, 2025

Friday, 6:30 P.M. – Saturday, 4:30 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Perfect for Girl Scouts new to overnight camping! Enjoy a campfire with s'mores and songs before spending the night in the cabins at Pamunkey Ridge. Wake up the next day and explore some of Pamunkey Ridge's offerings like canoeing, archery and slingshots, arts and crafts, and more! You will also get to cook a simple campfire meal and sweet treat for lunch on Saturday!

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult

Max: 50 youth | 25 adults

Register by: As soon as possible



Explore Pamunkey Ridge

 All Levels  Juliettes 

Session 1: Sunday, October 6th, 2024

Session 2: Sunday, April 13th, 2025

10:00 A.M. – 4:30 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Dive into the Pamunkey Ridge experience with this fun-filled day! Join us for canoeing, classic camp crafts, slingshots, and learn to cook a simple meal over the campfire. This event is perfect for those new to exploring the outdoors. This event is open to families and non-member siblings as well. All adults must be registered.

\$15/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult

Max: 50 youth | 25 adults

Register by: As soon as possible

Trailblazers Weekend at Camp Kitty

 Cadette  Senior  Ambassador 

Friday, November 1st, 2024, 6:30 P.M. to

Sunday, November 3rd, 2024, 11:00 A.M.

Camp Kittamaqund

Calling all older Girl Scouts looking for adventure! This weekend is sure to fit the bill. Sleep in platform tents Friday evening, before enjoying a jam-packed day of boating on the Great Wicomico River, archery, slingshots, and arts and crafts before setting out on the trail for a cookout dinner and an overnight campout in tents or camping hammocks! Practice your outdoor skills and head home with your level's trail adventure badge!

You'll earn: *Cadette Trail Adventure, Senior Trail Adventure, Ambassador Trail Adventure*

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult

Max: 30 youth | 10 adults

Register by October 22nd, 2024

Outdoor Journey Weekend

Junior

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

**Friday, November 8th, 2024, 6:30 P.M. to
Sunday, November 10th, 2024, 11:00 A.M.**

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Spend the weekend at Camp Pamunkey Ridge taking on new adventures while learning outdoor skills and ways to take care of our environment! Juniors through Ambassadors will spend Saturday earning the badges that make up their Outdoor Journey while enjoying the waterfront, climbing tower, and so much more. The weekend will culminate in a Take-Action project on Sunday morning. Participants will go home having earned their Outdoor Journey!

You'll earn: Junior-Ambassador Outdoor Journey

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult

Max: 50 youth | 25 adults

Register by October 29th, 2024

Art in the Wild Overnight

All Levels

Juliettes

Families

**Friday, November 15th, 2024, 6:30 P.M. –
Saturday, November 16th, 2024, 4:30 P.M.**
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Unleash your creativity and take inspiration from the natural world during this ultra-colorful overnight at Pamunkey Ridge! Perfect for Girl Scouts of all ages, campers will earn their age level's Outdoor Art badge by exploring different mediums and methods to create all over camp. From abstract art made by slingshots to pinwheels and mobiles moved by the wind, to musical moments made possible by the natural world around us, participants are sure to find projects that spark their imagination!

You'll earn: Daisy-Ambassador Outdoor Art Badge

\$0/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Max: 75 youth | 40 adults

Register by November 5th, 2024



Outdoors



Tranquil Trails Overnight

 All Levels  Juliettes

Friday, January 24th, 2025, 6:30 P.M. to
Saturday, January 25th, 2025, 4:30 P.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

The weather may be getting colder, but we're cozying up by the fire for a weekend of rest and relaxation at Pamunkey Ridge. Search for calm while creating DIY spa goodies, find your inner Zen exploring what self-care looks like for you, and enjoy Girl Scout sisterhood while sipping on hot chocolate and making delicious fire-side treats. Perfect for those looking for a laid-back weekend with friends new and old!

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult
Max: 75 youth | 40 adults
Register by January 14th, 2025

Girl Scouts and S'more Weekend

 All Levels  Juliettes  Families

Friday February 7th, 2025, 6:30 P.M. to
Sunday, February 9th, 2025, 11:00 A.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Bring the whole family along for a weekend of s'more fun! After a welcome campfire and a night in the cabins, spend Saturday exploring all that Pamunkey has to offer with the whole family! Hop in a canoe on the lake, take on the Adventure Tower, take aim with slingshots, and make crafts that just might be your next family heirloom! Then stick around, Sunday morning we'll have breakfast and round out the weekend with family Olympics! Hop alongside your new friends in a sack race or see who can come out on top in tug of war as we enjoy some classic field games to end our weekend!

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult
Max: 75 youth | 40 adults
Register by January 28th, 2025

Outdoor Journey Weekend

 Junior  Cadette  Senior
 Ambassador  Juliettes

Friday, March 7th, 2025, 6:30 P.M. to
Saturday, March 9th, 2025, 11:00 A.M.
Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Spend the weekend at Camp Pamunkey Ridge taking on new adventures while learning outdoor skills and ways to take care of our environment! Juniors through Ambassadors will spend Saturday earning the badges that make up their Outdoor Journey while enjoying the waterfront, climbing tower, and so much more. The weekend will culminate in a Take-Action project on Sunday morning. Participants will go home having earned their Outdoor Journey!

You'll earn: *Junior-Ambassador Outdoor Journey*

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult
Min/Max: 50 youth | 25 adults
Register by February 25th, 2025

Backcountry Bites Weekend at Camp Kitty

 Junior  Cadette  Senior
 Ambassador  Juliettes

Friday, March 21st, 2025, 6:30 P.M. – Sunday, March 23rd, 2025, 11:30 A.M.
Camp Kittamaqund

Bring your appetite and head to the Northern Neck and beautiful Camp Kittamaqund for a delicious weekend of outdoor meals! Practice your stick cooking, put together a delicious foil pack meal, and get breakfast sizzling on the griddle in between kayaking on the cove, target sports on the playing field, hikes along the water, and classic camp crafts! Guaranteed, you won't head home hungry! Participants will head home with a well-earned cooking themed badge.

You'll earn: *Junior Simple Meals, Cadette New Cuisines, Senior Locavore, Ambassador Dinner Party*

\$35/Girl Scout | \$5/Adult
Min/Max: 30 youth | 10 adults
Register by March 11th, 2025

Archery Day at Pamunkey Ridge

Brownie

Junior

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Saturday, October 12th, 2024

Sunday, February 23rd, 2025

Saturday, March 1st, 2025

Saturday, March 29th, 2025

9:00 A.M. – 10:30 A.M. (BJ)

11:00 A.M. – 12:30 P.M. (BJ)

1:00 P.M. – 2:30 P.M. (CSA)

3:00 P.M. – 4:30 P.M. (CSA)

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Come out to have some fun at the Pamunkey Ridge Archery Range! Perfect for beginners or folks just looking to spend some extra time with a bow in hand.

\$10/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Min/Max: 20 youth | 10 adults

Register by: 10 days before event

Adventure Tower at Pamunkey Ridge

Junior

Cadette

Senior

Ambassador

Juliettes

Saturday, October 19th, 2024

Saturday, February 22nd, 2025

Sunday, March 30th, 2025

9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. (J), 12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. (CSA),

3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. (CSA)

Sunday, October 13th, 2024

Sunday, March 2nd, 2025

Saturday, April 5th, 2025

9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. (J), 12:00 P.M. – 2:00 P.M. (J),

3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M. (CSA)

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Gear up and take on Camp Pamunkey Ridge's adventure tower! Learn how to participate safely and hone your skills in these fun-filled sessions. Juniors and older can enjoy the Adventure Tower's six different climbing routes and zipline, Cadettes and up can also take on the extra challenge of our six high ropes elements. All while earning your Climbing Adventure Badge!

You'll earn: Junior-Ambassador Snow or Climbing Adventure Badge

\$30/Girl Scout | \$0/Adult

Max: 25 youth | 10 adults

Register by: 10 days before event



Events and Activities Overview

Program	Date	D	B	J	C	S	A	Juliette	Volunteer	Family	Page Number
October											
Women Warriors	10/2/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Camp Sampler	10/4-5/2024	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			30
Explore Pamunkey Ridge	10/6/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			30
Archery Day	10/12/24		●	●	●	●	●	●			33
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-II	10/12/24		●	●				●			12
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-IV	10/12/24				●	●	●	●			12
Adventure Tower Day	10/13/24			●	●	●	●	●			33
Design Your Digital World	10/15/24			●	●	●	●	●			12
Adventure Tower Day	10/19/24			●	●	●	●	●			33
Ballot Battle - The Valentine	10/20/24			●	●			●			13
Real Life Academy - Ready to Vote	10/24/24				●	●	●	●			29
Autumn Bliss Bash	10/26/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	8
Juliette Gordon Low Campfire	10/26/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	8
In the Spotlight	10/29/24		●	●	●			●			13
November											
Curtains Up, Lights Out	11/1-2/2024		●	●	●			●			14
Trailblazers Weekend @ Camp Kitty	11/1-3/2024				●	●	●	●			30
Richland Dairy Farms	11/2/24	●	●	●				●			14
Ballot Battle - The Valentine	11/3/24			●	●			●			13
Women Warriors	11/6/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Real Life Academy - Your Digital Footprint	11/7/24				●	●	●	●			29
Outdoor Journey Weekend	11/8-10/2024			●	●	●	●	●			31
Richmond Fire Dept. Tour	11/9/24	●	●	●				●			14
Fred. Fire Dept. Tour	11/9/24	●	●	●				●			14
Ashland Takeover	11/9/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	8
SPCA	11/9/24	●	●					●			14
In the Spotlight	11/12/24		●	●	●			●			13
Art in the Wild Overnight	11/15-16/2024	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			31
Cinematic Magic	11/16/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	15
RVA Financial	11/20/24	●	●	●				●			15
Eagle Tour	11/23/24	●	●	●				●			15
SPCA	11/23/24			●				●			14
December											
In the Spotlight	12/3/24		●	●	●			●			13
Women Warriors	12/4/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Real Life Academy - Let's Budget	12/5/24				●	●	●	●			29
BrickBot Builders	12/7/24	●	●	●				●			16
Cookie Rally	12/8/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	9
My Family Story - The Valentine	12/8/24		●	●				●			16
Machines and Contraptions	12/14/24	●	●	●				●			16
Fossil Find	12/14/24	●	●	●	●			●			17
The Nutcracker - Richmond Ballet	12/15/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	17
Virginia Theatre Machine - Girl Scout Night	12/19/24	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	17
January											
BrickBot Builders	1/4/25	●	●	●				●			16
In the Spotlight	1/7/25		●	●	●			●			13
Women Warriors	1/8/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Groove 'n' Glow	1/10/25	●	●	●				●			18
Machines and Contraptions	1/11/25	●	●	●				●			16
EmpowerMIND	1/11/25				●	●	●	●			10
Real Life Academy - How to Get a Job	1/16/25				●	●	●	●			29
Troop Camping: Pamunkey Ridge	1/17-19/2025										47
Celebrating Community - The Valentine	1/18/25		●	●				●			18
In the Spotlight	1/21/25		●	●	●			●			13
Tranquil Trails Overnight	1/24-25/2025	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			32
EmpowerMIND	1/25/25	●	●	●				●			10
No-Bake Bites	1/28/25	●	●	●	●			●			18
No-Bake Bites	1/28/25	●	●	●	●			●			18
Real Life Academy - What to Do When You Get Pulled Over?	1/30/25				●	●	●	●			29
February											
Machines and Contraptions	2/1/25	●	●	●				●			16
Women Warriors	2/5/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Galentine's Sleepover	2/7-8/2025					●	●	●			19
Girl Scouts & S'more Overnight	2/7-8/2025	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	32
In Our Friendship Bracelets Era	2/11/25	●	●	●	●			●			19
In Our Friendship Bracelets Era	2/11/25	●	●	●	●			●			19
Cinderella - Richmond Ballet	2/15/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	19

Program	Date	D	B	J	C	S	A	Juliette	Volunteer	Family	Page Number
Real Life Academy - Your Safe Space	2/20/25				●	●	●	●			29
Adventure Tower Day	2/22/25			●	●	●	●	●			33
Once Upon a Star	2/22/25	●	●	●				●			19
Archery Day	2/23/25		●	●	●	●	●	●			33
March											
Archery Day	3/1/25		●	●	●	●	●	●			33
SPCA	3/1/25	●	●					●			14
Adventure Tower Day	3/2/25			●	●	●	●	●			33
Women Warriors	3/5/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Outdoor Journey Weekend	3/7-9/2025			●	●	●	●	●			31
BrickBot Builders	3/8/25	●	●	●				●			16
Say Click! Take a Pic!	3/10/25				●	●	●	●			20
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Teeny-Tiny Treasures	3/11/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	20
Teeny-Tiny Treasures	3/11/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	20
SPCA	3/15/25			●				●			14
RVA Financial	3/19/25				●	●	●	●			15
Backcountry Bites Weekend @ Camp Kitty	3/21-23/2025			●	●	●	●	●			33
Friendship Fiesta	3/22/25	●	●	●				●			20
Girl Scout Social	3/22/25				●	●	●	●			20
Legislative Day at the Virginia State Capitol	3/27/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	9
Troop Camping: Pamunkey Ridge	3/28-30/2025										47
Fossil Find	3/29/25	●	●	●	●			●			21
Richland Dairy Farms	3/29/25	●	●	●				●			14
Archery Day	3/29/25		●		●	●	●	●			33
Adventure Tower Day	3/30/25			●	●	●	●	●			33
April											
Women Warriors	4/2/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Eagle Tour	4/5/25	●	●	●				●			15
Adventure Tower Day	4/5/25			●	●	●	●	●			33
Fred. Fire Dept. Tour	4/5/25	●	●	●				●			14
Richmond Fire Dept. Tour	4/5/25	●	●	●				●			14
Design Your Digital World	4/10/25			●	●	●	●	●			12
Camp Sampler	4/11-12/2025	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			30
Tree ID Hike	4/12/25	●	●	●				●			22
Super Sloppy Science	4/12/25	●	●	●	●			●			22
Explore Pamunkey Ridge	4/13/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			30
Wild Edibles	4/19/25	●	●	●	●			●			22
Ruby Scoops	4/19/25	●	●	●				●			23
EmpowerMIND	4/19/25	●	●	●				●			10
Mixed Herb Garden Workshop - Maymont	4/21/25			●				●			23
Aquatic Adventure Overnight	4/25-26/2025	●	●	●	●			●			23
May											
I Can Help Too!	5/1/25	●	●	●				●			24
I Can Help Too!	5/1/25	●	●	●				●			24
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-II	5/3/25		●	●				●			12
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-IV	5/3/25				●	●	●	●			12
Harmony in Mind	5/4/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			24
Women Warriors	5/7/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Girl Scouts Go Inside Out	5/10/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	10
Richland Dairy Farms	5/17/25	●	●	●				●			14
National Tree Promise	5/17/25	●	●	●				●			40
Night Hike	5/17/25	●	●	●	●			●	●	●	24
Symphony Safari	5/21/25	●	●	●				●			25
Symphony Safari	5/21/25	●	●	●				●			25
Ruby Scoops	5/24/25	●	●	●				●			23
Fossil Find	5/31/25	●	●	●	●			●			17
Watershed Wonders	5/31/25	●	●	●				●			25
Super Sloppy Science	5/31/25	●	●	●	●			●			23
June											
Girl Scouts Memory Lane	6/3/25					●	●	●			26
Girl Scouts Memory Lane	6/3/25					●	●	●			26
Women Warriors	6/4/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			28
Richland Dairy Farms	6/14/25	●	●	●				●			14
Agriberry Farms	6/21/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	26
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-II	6/21/25		●	●				●			12
RVA Paddlesports: Class I-IV	6/21/25				●	●	●	●			12
July											
Agriberry Farms	7/19/25	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	26
TBD											
Cyber4+	TBD				●			●			27
STEM the Gap Academy: Chess Girl	Choose Your Own	●	●	●	●	●	●	●			27

Girl Scouts Highest Awards

Ready, Set, Lead.

Girls who are ready to flex their leadership skills above and beyond the traditional badges and patches might be up for the challenge of earning one of the highest awards:

Bronze. Silver. Gold.

All three awards give girls the chance to do big things while supporting issues they care about. As you earn one of the Girl Scout highest awards, you'll change your corner of the world—and beyond. The possibilities are endless.

**Interested in earning your Bronze, Silver, or Gold?
Take the first step by attending one of our Highest Awards Trainings.**

In-Person

- Tuesday, October 8th, 2024, 6:00 P.M.-7:30 P.M., GSCV Service Center, Richmond
- Tuesday, November 19th, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M., Ebenezer United Methodist Church, Stafford

Virtual (via Zoom)

- Monday, October 21st, 2024, 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
- Monday, January 20th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.
- Monday, April 7th, 2025, 6:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Asynchronous (via YouTube)

- Gold Award 101 Training
- Silver Award Suite Training

Both videos can be found on our Website under Highest Awards

**Have you attended a training but don't know where to start?
Join us at a Virtual Award Chat!**

Bronze

October 10th, 5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
December 12th, 5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
February 13th, 5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
April 10th, 5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
June 12th, 5:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Silver

October 10th, 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
December 12th, 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
February 13th, 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
April 10th, 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
June 12th, 5:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Gold

October 10th, 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
December 12th, 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
February 13th, 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
April 10th, 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
June 12th, 6:00 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.


Earning your Gold this year? Know the Gold Award Committee Review Dates!

The Gold Award Committee meets once a month to review Gold Award paperwork. Once a girl's project proposal has been submitted through Go Gold Online, she will be contacted to schedule participation in her Gold Award Committee Review. This review is a requirement before beginning the Gold Award Project. The session gives a girl the opportunity to share her proposal with a team of volunteers dedicated to supporting her successfully in her project, and she will receive feedback/suggestions on possible areas of improvement before getting started.

Sunday, October 13th, 2024
Sunday, November 10th, 2024
Sunday, December 15th, 2024
Sunday, January 12th, 2025
Sunday, February 9th, 2025
Sunday, April 13th, 2025
Sunday, June 1st, 2025

Ambassadors are strongly encouraged to submit their Gold Award proposals before March 1 of their senior year in High School to allow ample time for project completion.

To be invited to the Inspired by a Girl Ceremony in the spring of 2025, final reports must be submitted by March 1st, 2025.

	 Bronze Minimum 20 hours	 Silver Minimum 50 hours	 Gold Minimum 80 hours
Solo or team	Team or solo. Troop leader should submit a final report for each girl, with girl input.	Solo or small team (max of 4 girls per team).	Solo project
Prerequisites	Junior Girl Scout Journey	Cadette Girl Scout Journey	Girl Scout Silver Award and one Senior or Ambassador Journey OR Two Senior or Ambassador Journeys
Approval	Approved by leader. Projects do not need to be pre-approved by the council unless the project is on council property.	Project must be pre-approved by Council. Girls or teams working on their Silver Award will create a proposal to submit to their Troop Leader, who will submit to Council when ready for approval.	Projects must be pre-approved by the council Gold Award committee, which meets once a month.
Deadlines	Final reports must be submitted no later than the September 30th following 5th grade promotion or graduation.	Must be finished and final report submitted by the September 30th following 8th grade promotion or graduation.	Girls have until the September 30th following their High School graduation to have their Gold Award final report approved by the Gold Award Committee. Final report must be submitted by March 1 to be included in that year's Inspired by a Girl Ceremony.
Recognitions	Girls who submit a final report will receive a congratulatory letter from GSCV. Bronze Award pins, patches, and certificates can be purchased during shop hours at the Girl Scout Council Shop.	Girls who submit a final report will receive a congratulatory letter from GSCV. Silver Award pins, patches, and certificates can be purchased during shop hours at the Girl Scout Council Shop.	Once the final report has been approved by Council, the girl will receive her Gold Award pin in the mail along with a congratulatory letter from Council. Additional certificates from GSUSA will be sent to the Gold Award Girl Scout when received.
Resources	Bronze Award Guidelines for Girls, Guidelines for Adults, Final report, GSUSA FAQs.	Silver Award Suite! Silver Award Cadette Workbook, Silver Award Proposal, Silver Award Final report, GSUSA FAQs.	Your Guide to Going Gold, Gold Award Guidelines for Girls, Guidelines for Adults, Final report, GSUSA FAQs.
Trainings	Online training for adults is available. Need help? Email highestawards@comgirlscouts.org	In-person Highest Award Trainings. Online training for girls and adults is also available. Training is highly recommended. Need help? Email highestawards@comgirlscouts.org	In-person Highest Award Trainings. Online training for girls and adults is also available. Training is <u>required</u> . Need help? Email highestawards@comgirlscouts.org

GSUSA Destinations and Travel

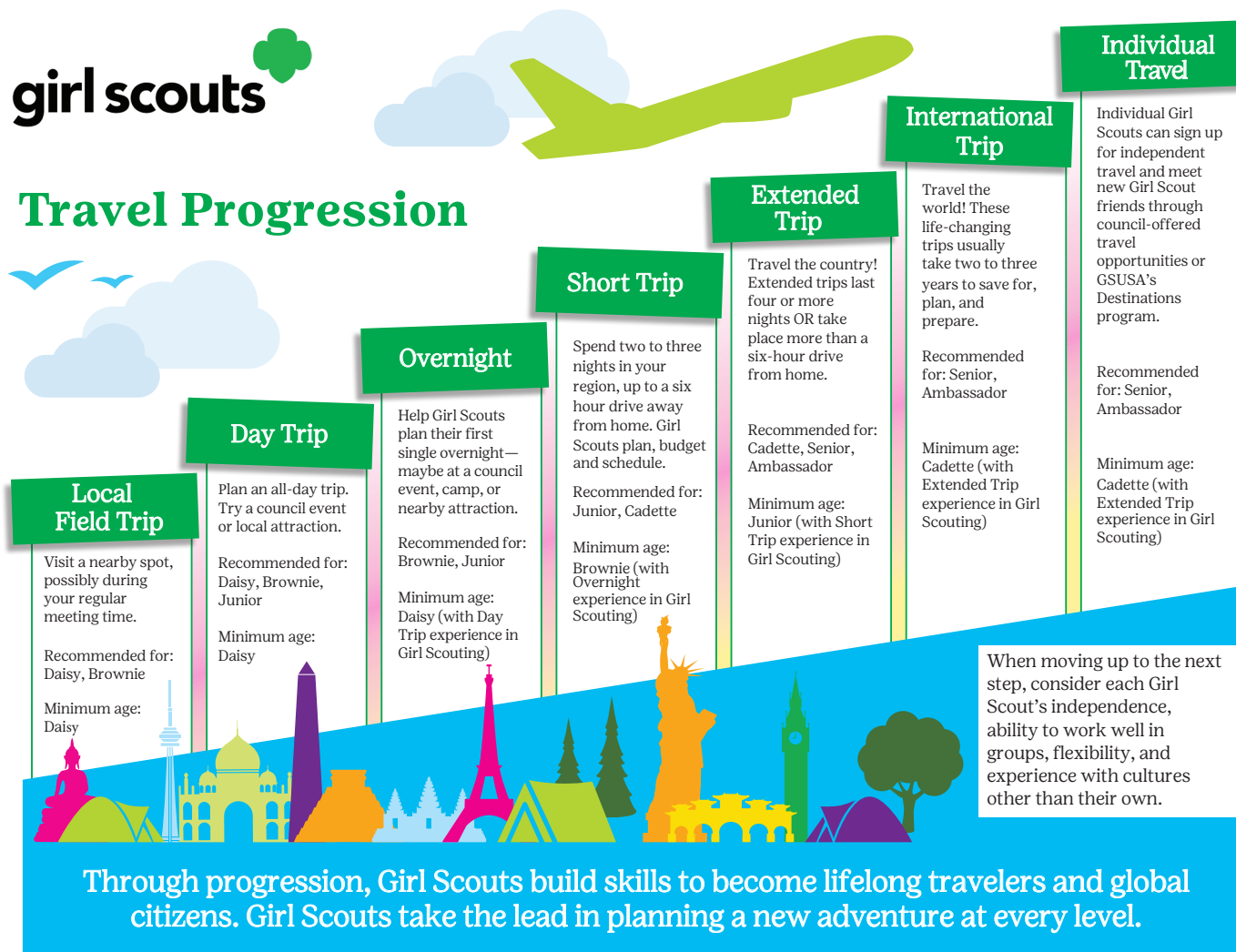
Girl Scout Destinations are the ultimate adventure for individual Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts. Push past your comfort zone by applying for a trip on your own, and make friends from all over the country as you travel with new friends. There's a unique, life-changing experience for everyone. Additionally, we're currently collaborating with our members to create Council-led travel events tailored to your interests. More information will be shared soon, so be on the lookout in S'more News!

For more information and additional trips visit: Girl Scouts Destinations at www.GirlScouts.org.

Trip Name	Location	Trip Dates	Grades	Program Fee
Winter Wanderer	Quebec	February 2025	7-12	\$1,800
Global Leadership Conference	Newport, Rhode Island	March 2025	9-12	\$700
Camp Fury	Southern Arizona	May 2025	10-12	TBD
Mountain Biking & More: High Adventure in the Ozarks	Ozark Mountains	June 2025	10-12	\$1,350
The Ultimate Harry Potter Experience	Florida & the United Kingdom	June 2025	9-12	\$5,975
Pacific Exploration in STEM	Oahu, Hawaii	July 2025	9-12	TBD
Sustainability and Leadership in Costa Rica	Costa Rica	July 2025	10-12	\$4,151



Travel Progression



2025 Product Program

**The 2025
Cookie Program Theme:**

**EMBRACE
EMBRACE
POSSIBILITY**

**Mascot:
The Panda**



Mark your calendars now – details will be included in upcoming issues of S'more News

Cookie training for adult volunteers

December, 7th-14th, 2024

Cookie Rally at Winterfest/Kings Dominion

Sunday, December 8th

First day of order taking for the cookie program

Wednesday, January 1st, 2025

Fredericksburg Cookie Drive-Thru

Thursday, February 13th

Richmond Cookie Drive-Thru

Friday, February 14th

Chesterfield Cookie Drive-Thru

Saturday, February 15th

Cookie Cupboards Open

Tuesday, February 18th

Last day of cookie program

Monday, March 31st, 2025



Community Service/Service Projects

National Service Projects

Girl Scouts are invited to participate in national service projects through GSUSA!

Honoring our Everyday Changemakers

Small acts of kindness and gratitude can have an incredible impact on your community! Girl Scouts can pay it forward by recognizing the people in their communities who have supported them in finding their unique paths.

Fighting Hunger

More than 50 million adults, kids, and families in the U.S. are experiencing food insecurity, a number that has only increased since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic. Girl Scouts can make a big difference in their communities— and for children around the world—by supporting hunger relief efforts.

Promote the Vote

Voting is arguably our most important civic duty—but barriers still exist. In many parts of the country, voting laws and protocols make it difficult

for many people, especially people of color, to cast their votes in elections. There's work to be done—and girls can play a part!

Citizen Science

How can you play a part in solving some of the biggest problems facing our planet? Enter citizen science, where volunteers help scientists collect data for their studies and experiments. Anyone can be a citizen scientist—all you need is curiosity and a willingness to help!

Letter Writing

The idea is simple: girls write letters to people in nursing homes, senior residences, and assisted living facilities, including the dedicated staff and caregivers. This long distance hug is a way to share your good thoughts with these vulnerable and loved community members.

Girl Scout Tree Promise

Girl Scouts of the USA (GSUSA) and General Motors have partnered to update the Girl Scout Tree Promise program. This program guides Girl Scouts across the country and around the world to plant, protect, and honor trees to help mitigate climate change impacts; provide and improve habitats for wildlife; address issues of tree equity and shade within urban communities; clean our water sources; remove asthma-causing air pollution; and more.

National Tree Promise

Daisy

Brownie

Junior

Juliettes

Saturday, May 17th, 2025, 3:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.
Maymont, Richmond

Come join us for a tree tour and learn about several state and national champion trees at Maymont. You'll learn from our staff how to plant and care for trees. The program includes walking to see Maymont's arboretum and gardens. Be sure to bring a water bottle and dress for the weather. Rain or Shine.

You'll gain: Girl Scouts will learn how to take care of trees and plants, develop a love for nature, and gain skills they can use for a lifetime.

\$15/Girl Scout | \$8/Adult
Min/Max: 20/80 youth | 3/20 adults
Register by May 7th, 2025



Global Action Award 2024

The United Nations—where nations come together to solve problems that affect humanity—might not seem to have much of an impact on your life, but that couldn't be farther from the truth. From climate action to gender equality, they're working on the same issues that are close to your heart—and you can help!

There are 17 important global problems they've chosen to work on (they call them the sustainable development goals, or SDGs). By learning more about them, connecting with others who care, and then taking action in your community and beyond, you can play an important role in healing our world and creating a better tomorrow for all of us. Plus? When you've completed all the steps, you'll earn a special award.

Learn more about the Global Action Award 2024 and steps to earn the special award at www.GirlScouts.org.
(Members - For Girl Scouts - Ways to Participate - Global Action and Travel - Earn the Global Action Award)



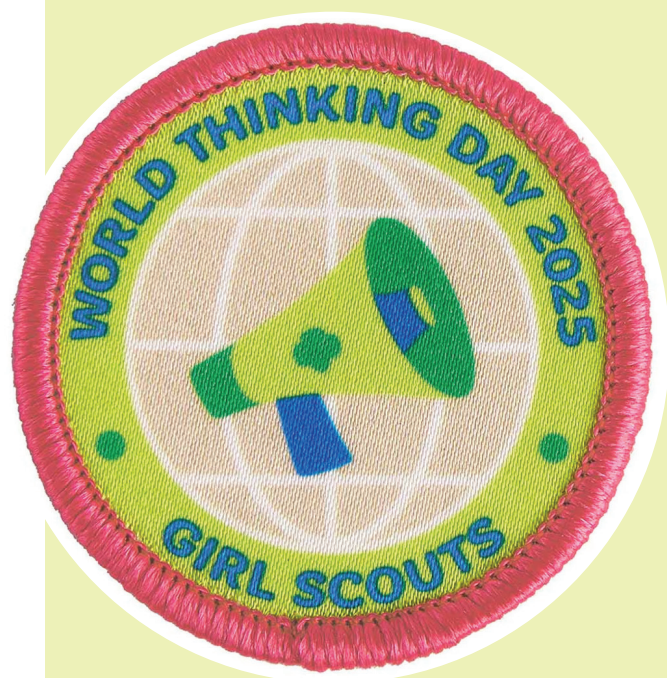
World Thinking Day

On February 22nd of each year, Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world celebrate World Thinking Day by doing the same activities around a shared theme.

The World Thinking Day 2025 theme is **“Our Story: Reflecting the symbolism and values of our Movement.”**

This year, Girl Scouts can reflect on our history of building confidence through advocacy and action. They find out how they can build the confidence to speak up for themselves, others, or a cause they care about. Although World Thinking Day is February 22nd, Girl Scouts can earn this award at any point during the membership year. It is recommended, however, that it is completed during the January/February/March timeframe.

Visit our website to download the FREE Girl Scouts World Thinking Day activity guides (DBJ & CSA) and see how your thoughts are more powerful than you think!



Adult Training

Learning lasts a lifetime

Whether you are a new volunteer or a seasoned leader, there are training courses to help you learn and develop the skills you need in your Girl Scout role.

Training is available through online courses in gsLearn or as live virtual or in-person courses. Most training is free for adult volunteers, with the exception of certain in-person certification courses in the areas of archery, paddle sports, axe throwing, etc.

Training plays a pivotal role in preparing all adults who want to volunteer with Girl Scouts. As guided by our national organization, GSUSA, all adults who volunteer for Girl Scouts and in any role that involves working directly with Girl Scouts must be an approved volunteer.

Approved volunteers are registered Girl Scout members who have successfully cleared GSCV's background screening process and completed position-related training. Troop leaders and other adults that will be working directly with Girl Scouts must be an approved volunteer.

As defined in Volunteer Essentials, being an approved volunteer means:

- They are at least 18 years old
- Are a registered Girl Scout adult
- Have completed a background screening
- Have completed all required position-related training

gsLearn

gsLearn is ready for you to access anytime, 24/7. Stop in at your convenience and view your dashboard, which is populated with the latest Girl Scout knowledge and fun troop leader tips.

gsLearn is full of essential volunteer training and courses, like how to lead activities the Girl Scout way, safety procedures, and advice for guiding Girl Scouts at every grade level.

gsLearn is Girl Scouts' official online and on-demand training tool. It empowers volunteers to complete trainings as they work best for them. Volunteers have access to Girl Scout-specific trainings that support consistency across the Girl Scout Movement.

gsLearn is accessible through your MyGS portal and in your home page menu under the Volunteer Toolkit option. The courses available to you are located on your homepage in gsLearn. Courses available now include:

- 10 Tips to Keeping Girls Engaged
- Additional Money Earning
- Bank Account Basics
- Delivering Inclusive Program
- Girl Scout Travel 101
- Ready. Set. Go Gold. Girl Scouts Highest Awards
- The Mental Wellness Patch Program: Why It Matters and How to Implement It
- Courses are added during the year, and they will automatically show on your home page dashboard! Try out gsLearn and enjoy the convenience of on-demand courses.



New Leader Training - easy as 1,2,3!

It is such an exciting time when you become a Girl Scout troop leader. Girls are ready, and we want to help you get ready for this amazing adventure. The training courses required are listed below and are available in-person or on-demand to fit your schedule. To access all options, simply email gshelper@comgirlscouts.org.

- Troop Basics
- New Leader Onboarding Series:
 - Family Engagement - The Key to Success
 - Funding the Fun - Managing Girl Scout Troop Finances
 - The Girl Scout Cookie Program
 - The Girl Scout Leadership Experience (GSLE)
 - Troop Safety
 - What Girl Scouts Do
 - Your First Troop Meeting



First Aid

First aid/CPR certification can be taken locally to support busy schedules and convenience. Following the GSUSA-approved vendor listing below, you can obtain first aid/CPR training from the following vendors, which offer options in all GSCV regions:

- American Red Cross
- National Safety Council
- EMP America
- American Heart Association
- American Safety and Health Institute (ASHI)
- Medic

All GSCV regions have first aid/CPR classes offered from the partners above, but your best source of support is your service unit, where you have a network of Girl Scout leaders ready to share their knowledge for resources in your local area!

Volunteers who provide a necessary skill to their troop in being the First Aider often have their training paid by troop funds. In the event the troop funds are not healthy enough to cover the cost, GSCV will help defray costs with up to a \$50 reimbursement each for up to two volunteers per troop every two years.

To request a reimbursement, submit your certification, receipt, and request for first aid/CPR training reimbursement form to gshelper@comgirlscouts.org.

Quick troop tip: A medical professional can also serve as your first aider. They will just need to complete a quick form acknowledging their willingness to serve in that role. Forms can be found on our website under Forms and Publications.



Get Outdoors!

Beginning Camping

Saturday, November 2nd, 2024

8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Time to get outdoors! The Beginning Camping course is designed for leaders and troops who want to take their troop camping but have little camping experience. Upon completion of this course, you will be certified to take your Girl Scout Troop on a camping trip in the backyard, in a permanent structure such as a state park cabin, or Girl Scout Camp. The course follows progression in the outdoors and is specifically designed for Daisy, Brownie, and Junior Leaders. We can't wait to see you at training! This course takes place in a single day.

Those who want to take their troop tent camping must attend the Intermediate Camping course.



Intermediate Camping

Prep session (required): **Tuesday, October 1, 2024, 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.**

First night (optional): Friday, October 11th, 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, October 12th, 9:00 A.M. to Sunday October 13th, 2024, 1:00 P.M.

Camp “Kitty” Kittamaquond

Time to get outdoors and camp! The Advanced Camping course is designed for leaders and troop volunteers seeking to take their troop tent camping. This course will give leaders and volunteers hands-on experiences so they can successfully lead girls on outdoor experiences for multiple nights. Girl Scouts has so much to offer through outdoor experiences, and you will gain knowledge, skills, and practical experience to prepare you to plan and manage overnight camping adventures. You will learn a variety of safety techniques for fires, cooking, and camps. You will also receive valuable tips & tools for fires, cooking, program planning, clean up, packing, and planning.

This two-day course includes an overnight at camp and a required prep session, held approximately two weeks prior to the Intermediate Camping course weekend.

**The required prep session will take place in metro Richmond.*



Adult Training

Archery | Level I

Sunday, October 20th, 2024,

9:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Archery is a Girl Scout staple and a confidence boosting experience for girls. The Level 1 Archery Training is for instructors and those interested in becoming an instructor. In this training, you will become certified to bring this experience to girls in your troop, service unit, and special events!

Adult instructors are required for Girl Scout archery activities, but girls 16 or older are invited to become certified instructors as well. Certification for GSCV's archery program is

provided through USA Archery. USA Archery offers Level I Instructor courses in a blended learning format. Volunteers will need to complete the knowledge portion of the course online prior to completing the in-person skills session at Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp.

USA Archery Level I Instructor certification is a required course for volunteers who wish to teach beginning archery skills to Brownies through Ambassadors. In Level 1, participants learn about range safety, range setup, the steps of shooting, equipment, and equipment repair. Girls 16 years of age and older are welcome to participate. This USA Archery certification is valid for three years and renewable online through USA Archery.



Axe Throwing

Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp has an axe throwing range! Volunteers who want to lead this activity with Girl Scout Cadettes, Seniors, or Ambassadors must take the online course: World Axe Throwing League coach certification. (link: <https://worldaxethrowingleague.com/world-axe-throwing-league-official-coach-certification/>)



Adult Training



Paddle sports: Canoe, Kayak, Paddle boarding

Canoe/Kayak/Standup Paddle Boarding Training

Saturday, October 12th, 2024,
9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Sunday, October 13th, 2024,
9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Camp Pamunkey Ridge

Watercraft sports are a Girl Scout pastime and a confidence-boosting experience for girls. By taking the Canoe, Kayak, and Standup Paddleboard (SUP) Certification, you will become certified to bring this experience to girls in your troop, service unit, and special events! Certified adult instructors are required for Girl Scout canoeing, kayaking, and SUP. Cost: \$70/person

Sync Your Knowledge

Virtual

Thursday, October 24th, 2024
Thursday, November 28th, 2024
Thursday, January 23rd, 2025
Thursday, February 27th, 2025
Thursday, March 27th, 2025
Thursday, April 24th, 2025
Thursday, May 22nd, 2025



Join us for a short, special focus topic that addresses everything leaders want to know! These virtual sessions feature a question and answer opportunity. Sync Your Knowledge is for all volunteers seeking assistance with a specific Girl Scout topic, or those who simply want to know where to find a Girl Scout resource. We are excited to have you attend Sync Your Knowledge once or several times throughout the year. Let us know you are joining by using the link to register! Once registration is confirmed, you will receive the Zoom information.

<https://rb.gy/sklhf>

Service Units! If you would like a Sync Your Knowledge session at your service unit meeting, please contact the Help Desk at gshelper@comgirlscouts.org to schedule.

Service Unit/Troop Camping

Camping is a highlight of many girls' experiences in Girl Scouting and creates memories that last a lifetime.

Troop and/or Service Unit Camping is an opportunity for adult volunteers who have the proper training to take a group of girls camping on one of the two GSCV properties. Troops and/or Service Units (multiple troops from the same geographic area) provide the programming activities and meals during these camping adventures.

Troops reserve camping space by going to the GSCV camping reservation system at www.comgirlscouts.org. This allows groups to choose where they will camp on the property and reserve activity times, dining hall use, etc., based on availability.



Property Spotlight!

Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp

Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp is located on 240 acres along the banks of the Pamunkey River about 25 minutes north of Richmond. A day and resident camp program facility, Pamunkey Ridge features fully enclosed cabins, modern restrooms and dining hall equipped with a restaurant-quality kitchen, an adventure tower, a swimming pool, and a large sports field.



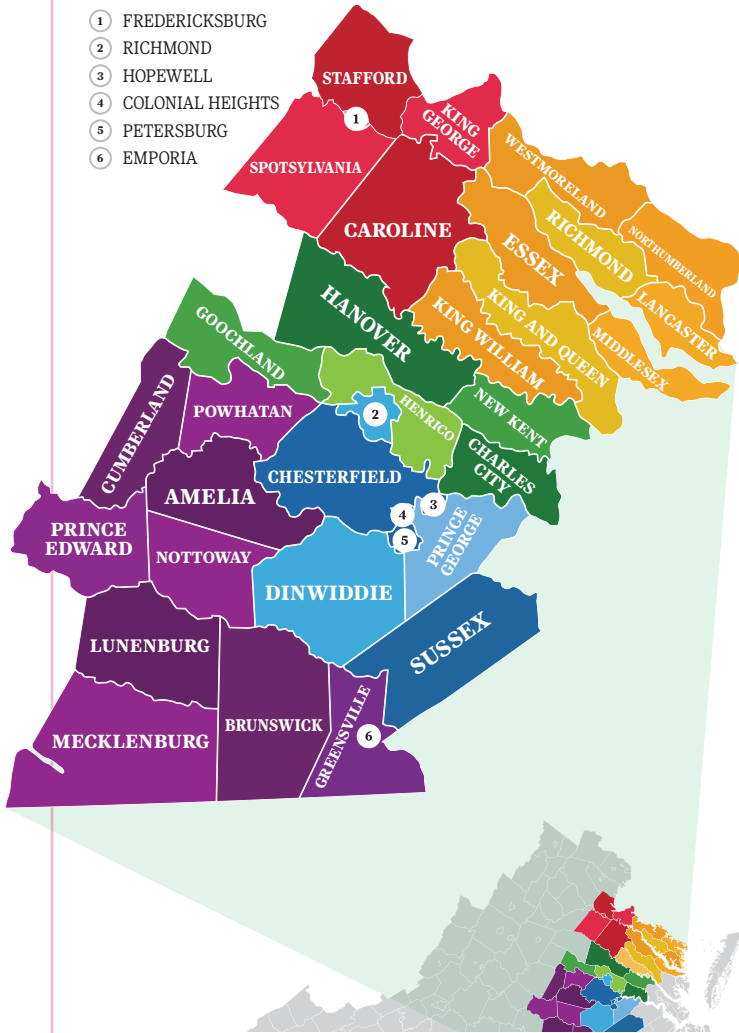
Camp Kittamaqund

Camp Kittamaqund Girl Scout Camp, often referred to as Camp Kitty, is located near Heathsville, Virginia, in Northumberland County. The camp spans approximately 387 acres, offering a diverse landscape for various outdoor activities and programs, including hiking, swimming, canoeing, archery, high end arts projects, and environmental education. The facilities include platform tents, and common areas for group activities and dining.



Council Spotlight

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About GSCV

On March 12th, 1912, Juliette “Daisy” Gordon Low brought 18 girls from Savannah out of isolated home environments and into the open air. Girl Scouts hiked, played basketball, organized community service, went on camping trips and studied first aid.

A year later, Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia began with Troop #1 in Highland Springs. In 1932, the first African-American Girl Scout troop in the South was formed in Richmond, meeting at Virginia Union University. Today, there is a historical marker commemorating history-making Girl Scout Troop 34 on Virginia Union’s campus.

Girl Scouts of the Commonwealth of Virginia believes in the power of every girl. Our leadership Program is designed to help a girl discover who she is and what she can do and connects her with a powerful community of girls and mentors to make it happen. Girl Scouts explore, learn, succeed, and take action to make a difference in their community.

With support from dedicated adult volunteers, parents and staff, we deliver the best Girl Scout experience to girls and adults in a 30 county and 6 city area within Central, Northern, Southern, Western and Eastern Virginia. Our council’s headquarters is located in the City of Richmond.

Our Girl Scout Shop is also located at our headquarters. We maintain two camp properties: Pamunkey Ridge Girl Scout Camp in Hanover County and Camp Kittamaqund in Northumberland County.

As your local council, we’re your partner in all things Girl Scouts and we can’t wait for you to get started. If you are a girl looking for a place to fit in and have fun, an adult who wants to volunteer to make a real difference in girls’ lives, or a corporation, foundation, or organization that wants to support the good work of Girl Scouts, you’ve come to the right place!

GSCV Headquarters

4900 Augusta Ave., Suite 200,
Richmond, VA 23230
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GSCV Shop

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Hours: M-F, 10:00 A.M. - 5:30 P.M.
Saturday, 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

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