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**Summer Camp
Registration opens
Feb. 23**



Promoting YOUTH DEVELOPMENT

Girl Scouts is the premier leadership organization for girls! Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles supports the mission of the organization by providing engaging and empowering opportunities, such as camp experiences, to more than 40,000 girls.

According to an American Camp Association (ACA) study, camp engages youth to learn about themselves while gaining skills in:

- leadership
- independence
- social comfort
- self-esteem
- friendship skills
- adventure & exploration
- environmental awareness
- values & decisions
- peer relationships
- spirituality



LET'S START HER ADVENTURE TODAY!

Dear GSGLA Girl Scouts and Girl Scout Families,

Summer camp is a beloved Girl Scout tradition, and one that's more important now than ever. Many Girl Scouts describe camping as one of the best things about their Girl Scout experience—yet today's girls are not spending nearly enough time outdoors, due to technology and structured activities.

Through Girl Scouts, your girl will have the opportunity to unplug and create her own outdoor adventures. When Girl Scouts get outside, they experience life-changing benefits—including stronger social bonds, a deeper appreciation for nature, and increased happiness.

At GSGLA summer camp, your girl will reap the benefits of spending quality time outside at a location that's convenient for your family. Our properties across Greater LA offer fun outdoor experiences through a variety of activities and programs: from kayaking at Marine Landing to ziplining at Osito Rancho, leadership development at Mariposa to archery at El Ranchito. Together, we provide girls with a safe, welcoming environment where they will thrive physically, emotionally, and intellectually.

I invite you to browse through the listings in our camp guide, as well as our program guide where you will learn about upcoming events. We're also excited to spotlight our girls' stories and testimonials in our "Gabbing with Girl Scouts" section. Don't miss all the exciting happenings at GSGLA! We look forward to seeing you at summer camp!

Yours in Girl Scouting,



Lise L. Luttgens
Chief Executive Officer

Where GSGLA

Summer Camp happens!

CAMPLAKOTA

This premier Girl Scout outdoor leadership center is a spectacular 57-acre high-adventure camp in Frazier Park at 5,700 feet. Activities here include utilizing a challenge/ropes course, archery range, and zip line, as well as hiking, outdoor cooking, and arts and crafts. As we gear up for a full resident camp in Summer 2020, we're offering two amazing weekend programs this summer—see p. 25 for details.



Mariposa is a cozy, park-like property in the foothills of Altadena in the San Gabriel Valley. It includes a large grassy space, wooded area with a small pond, and a campfire ring with an adjacent amphitheater. See p. 19 for weeklong themed day camps offered here.

VENTURA COUNTY

SANTA CLARITA

LOS ANGELES COUNTY

BERNARDINO COUNTY

EL RANCHITO

DAY CAMP

El Ranchito is an outdoor, park-like property located at the Long Beach Service Center that includes awesome outdoor and indoor spaces for activities. The property includes four fire rings, an archery range, low-ropes elements, and a climbing wall. See p. 11 for weeklong themed day camps offered here.

ARCADIA

HEADQUARTERS

MARINA DEL REY

LONG BEACH



Located on Alamitos Bay in Long Beach, Marine Landing is a one-of-a-kind waterfront facility offering a private boating beach, charming boathouse, and beautiful sea views. Camps offered here include boating and marine activities, plus swimming and plenty of play time at the beach. See p. 15 for weeklong themed day camps offered here.

IVERSIDE COUNTY

Plus!

Other unique locations, like the islands!

In addition to GSGLA-owned facilities, GSGLA has partnerships with non-Girl Scout facilities to host specialty camping opportunities created to best meet the varying interests of girls—like the Channel Islands and Catalina Island! See p. 24 for our specialty overnight camps offered at these places.

For more information on renting GSGLA properties, visit girlscoutsla.org/properties.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY



CAMP OSITO RANCHO

This premier Girl Scout outdoor leadership center is a spectacular 160-acre high-adventure camp in the San Bernardino Mountains above Big Bear Lake at 7,500 feet. Here, we offer a challenge/ropes course, archery range, a zip line, hiking, outdoor cooking, canoeing, horseback riding, as well as arts and crafts. See p. 6 for our five-night resident camp programs offered here.



Girls connect with nature at La Casita. Nestled in the foothills of north Claremont, this tranquil five-acre setting is surrounded by 1,600 acres of rolling hills, hiking trails, and bountiful wildlife. This is a great environment for girls to get a taste of camp. See p. 23 for the weeklong themed day camp offered here.


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GSGLA is committed to the extraordinary legacy of Girl Scouts and its mission to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

For more information on how to join, volunteer, reconnect, or donate, call 213-213-0123 or visit girlscoutsla.org.

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Our camps light a spark in girls.

We call it the "camp glow."

Out of home and into the camp world, each girl is equal to those around her: As she sits around the campfire, rides a horse, tries zip-lining, or even snorkels for the first time, something in her changes—she is growing and gaining a sense of pride by facing fears, learning new skills, and making friends. She comes home with a spark in her. We call it the camp glow.

There's a camp experience waiting for every girl—from stargazing and discovering wildlife to rock-wall climbing and canoeing. In Greater LA, girls can blaze trails in the mountains, explore the sea, or tackle obstacle courses in a park.

Want to know more? Visit girlscoutsla.org/summercamp.

IS MY DAUGHTER READY FOR CAMP?

We know that sending your daughter to camp is a big decision—especially when it's her first time away from home. Girls as young as kindergarten can attend GSGLA day camps and girls in second grade and up can join overnight camps, which is a great way for them to explore their independence in a safe and supervised environment. She'll problem solve, learn to work with girls her age, and return home excited to share the many new skills she learned. While bringing a friend might help her feel more comfortable, if she doesn't, she'll quickly make new friends on her many camp adventures!

Check out our troop or Mom & Me camps on p. 24-26—this could be a great place to start!



FOLLOW YOUR CAMPER'S ADVENTURES EACH WEEK ON INSTAGRAM!

@ElRanchitoDayCamp
@MarineLanding
@CampMariposa
@CampOsitoRancho

**Please note: These are private Instagram accounts. Additionally, it's not possible for us to capture photos of every girl each day, but we will do our best. If you have designated during the registration process that your camper cannot have her photo taken for publicity purposes, she will not appear in the photos.*

GET TO KNOW THE GSGLA SUMMER CAMP DIRECTORS

Our camp directors, staff, counselors-in-training, and program aides all help light that spark in every girl each summer. Learn more about some of our awesome camp directors below!



RANDI H. AKA "CHUCK"



Hometown: Livermore, CA

Favorite Outdoor Activities: Beach volleyball, long runs, dancing

Why She's Excited for Camp: "Watching Girl Scouts become more confident, challenging themselves, and meeting new friends."



ALICIA B. AKA "XENA"



Hometown: Grew up in 17 countries

Favorite Outdoor Activities: Hiking, ropes course, playing in/on water

Why She's Excited for Camp: "Sharing my love of outdoor adventures, as well as dress-ups, campfire songs, skits, and all the activities that make camp the most magical place on earth."



BRIANNA C. AKA "SQUIRREL"



Hometown: Fairfield, CA

Favorite Outdoor Activities: Backpacking, kayaking, swimming

Why She's Excited for Camp: "Bringing new activities to camp, and seeing many of our former Orange group campers return as program aides this year."



DEVIN N. AKA "GRIZZLY"



Hometown: Pasadena, CA

Favorite Outdoor Activities: Kayaking, swimming, yoga

Why She's Excited for Camp: "Seeing all of the grown-up faces of returning campers and getting to take my breaks on a paddleboard with the Cadettes."

What's a Camp Name?

It's a Girl Scout tradition! Camp names are nicknames that are only used when at camp—they represent a counselor or camp staffer's personality, passions, or interests. Once you pick a camp name, it's yours forever!



RESIDENT CAMP, ALSO KNOWN AS OVERNIGHT OR SLEEP-AWAY CAMP, IS THE QUINTESSENTIAL, HIGH-ADVENTURE EXPERIENCE THAT GENERATIONS OF GIRL SCOUTS HAVE CHERISHED AND ENJOYED!

CAMP OSITO RANCHO

Located in Big Bear, Camp Osito Rancho offers girls the opportunity to experience all that the great outdoors has to offer. Weekly activities include swimming in a heated pool, archery, canoeing, new-this-year “STEM Lab” science activities (think astronomy appreciation, Harry Potter-potion making, and more), ropes challenge course, zip line*, horses**, hiking, arts and crafts, learning survival skills like shelter and fire building, enjoying nature, and evening activities including campfires with songs and skits. Campers get the opportunity to grow independently away from their home environment, make new friends, and challenge themselves with new skills and activities. Plus, it’s a chance to really engage with science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) in a beautiful setting—all of our themed camp weeks incorporate our new, unique STEM Lab activities!

Here, the Girl Scout Leadership Experience comes to life. Girl-led opportunities and decision-making are encouraged throughout each camp session to promote independence and teach problem-solving skills. Our camp program focuses on empowering girls to discover themselves and connect with others as they gain lifelong memories and skills.

At each session, campers also have the opportunity to earn new Outdoor Adventure badges. Each camper will receive a commemorative item with the camp logo, a camp patch, and any badges earned.

**Our zip line has a weight and age limitation. In order to provide the safest and best experience for girls, participants must be entering eighth grade and above and be between the weight limits of 80–250 lbs.*

***Girls who have registered for our horse camp sessions are guaranteed time with the horses daily. Based on time and weather, we do our best to provide non-horse camp participants time with the horses.*

What are SWAPS?

Special Whatchumacallits Affectionately Pinned Somewhere. Yep—that’s what it stands for! SWAPS are tiny pins or trinkets that are usually handmade and are traded with Girl Scouts around the world—and at camp! Exchanging SWAPS is a great way to make friends and collect keepsakes that mark special memories.



CAMP OSITO RANCHO AT A GLANCE

Picture this! Here's an example of what a week at Osito might look like. When your girl registers for camp, you'll get a full schedule emailed to you. Three meals are provided per full day of camp.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7:45 am		Flag up				
8-8:45 am		Breakfast				
9:15-10:45 am		Low ropes	Canoeing	Archery	Scavenger hunt	Goodbye campers!
10:45-12:15 pm	Campers arrive!	High ropes/ Climbing wall	Outdoor cooking	STEM Lab	Survival skills/shelter building	
12:15-1 pm	Lunch					
2:30-4 pm	Settling into units	Archery	Horses	Nature hike	High ropes/ Climbing wall	
0-5:30 pm	Name games	Arts & crafts	Swimming pool	Canoeing	Swimming pool	
5:45 pm	Flag down					
6-7 pm	Dinner					
7:30-9 pm	Opening campfire	S'mores or night hike/ astronomy	Theme night dress-up & camp dance	Talent show	Closing campfire	
10 pm	Lights out					

Girls say...



“

I love trying new things at camp. I can name different constellations, and I never thought I'd be good at archery, but I am!”

THEMED WEEKS OF CAMP

SUPER SLEUTHS GONE BUG CRAZY

Session 1 | June 27–July 2

Step into the shoes of a detective, grab your magnifying glass, and uncover the science behind the miniature world of insects. Become a super sleuth and learn why those misunderstood bugs are essential to nature and even human survival. All young detectives will get to discover hands-on adventure through archery, canoeing, climbing on our ropes course, horse riding, swimming, Girl Scout camp traditions, and much more. Make new friends as you sit around the campfire, perform a new song or skit, or go stargazing under the moonlight. You may make butterfly wings, spider legs, or some nifty antennae to wear to the Osito dance party; or perhaps you prefer to dress up like a super sleuth to dance the night away!

MOON (& STARS) ON THE MEADOW

Session 2 | July 7–12

Did you know the stars shine extra bright over Camp Osito? The galaxy is never more awe-inspiring than on a mountaintop, and when the moon is reflecting over our meadow, you will truly feel its magic. Discover what you love about camp, but strap in tight, because this session is all about gaining an appreciation for astronomy while experiencing out-of-this-world activities, learning new skills and Girl Scout camp traditions, and making new friends. Give our challenge course a try, and enjoy archery, canoeing, horses, swimming, arts and crafts, and so much more. The fun doesn't stop when the sun goes down; take a flashlight hike to our star-studded galaxy party where the star that shines brightest is you!

MY BACKPACK, MY PONY, AND ME

Session 3 | July 16–21

Grab your cowgirl hat as we take to the trails for the journey of a lifetime! Every courageous cowgirl should learn how to handle a bow and arrow, paddle a canoe, climb a ropes course, and enjoy a splash in the swimming pool. Learn Girl Scout camp traditions, design a shelter, or discover how to build a fire. When the dust settles, you may lie under the stars listening to tall tales about the constellations or gather for a sing-song 'round the campfire with sister cowgirls and new friends. This week, we host the hoedown of all hoedowns, where line-dancing is in and so is yee-hawing. Bring those boots that were made for walking, and teach them to dance!

THERE'S MAGIC IN THEM MOUNTAINS

Session 4 | July 23–28

Magic and the enchantment of young wizards and witches has bewitched our world, so we thought we'd show you what true magic is. Up here in the mountains, where stunning nature holds us in its thrall, where towering pine trees whisper, where the moon casts its spell over the meadow, where there are endless sticks with which to make wands. We invite you to join our summer school of magic where you will use your bravery spells to master archery, scale our climbing wall, ride a horse, navigate the pond in a canoe, and learn survival techniques and Girl Scout camp traditions. You may even get to create magic potions in a chemistry experiment. Bring your wand to the enchanted dance party where magical surprises are in store.

EPIC OUTDOOR ADVENTURES

Session 5 | July 30–Aug. 4

Calling all explorers for an epic week of discovery in nature! Try archery, navigate a canoe, build a shelter, and more—every day is a new adventure! And nighttime is no exception: As the sky turns from burnt orange to deep blue, sing around the campfire with sister explorers. You may even sleep under the stars or take a flashlight safari in the light of the moon. Try your hand at being a nature artist and designing a sculpture of rocks, pinecones, or sticks. Don't forget—even the bravest explorers bring their favorite pajamas or animal onesies to Camp Osito where we throw the most exciting all-camp pajama parties!

HORSE CAMP

SADDLE UP – Offered during every week of camp.

Spend your days exploring the forest on horseback! Learn about grooming and feeding the horses along with saddling, bridling, and cueing—all while developing your individual riding skills in the arena and on the trail. Saddle up for an adventure like no other! The equestrian staff works with campers in group sessions, instructs in Western riding, and provides individual attention based on a rider's skill level. Beginner and intermediate riders are encouraged to attend. Our program offers beginning-level horsemanship skills and mountain terrain trail rides. All sessions include horse care, saddling, and riding instruction. While much of the activity time at camp will be focused on horse-related activities, girls will also participate in some of the other activities, such as archery, canoeing, climbing, swimming, arts and crafts, and the all-camp evening programs and dress-ups.

RESIDENT CAMPS DATES & COSTS

Session 1: June 27–July 2

Super Sleuths Gone Bug Crazy Grades 2–8, \$688

Saddle Up (horse program) Session I Grades 4–8, \$880

CIT I Grades 9–10, \$530

CIT II Grades 11–12, \$530

Session 2: July 7–12

Moon (& Stars) on the Meadow Grades 2–8, \$688

Saddle Up (horse program) Session II Grades 4–8, \$880

CIT I Grades 9–10, \$530

CIT II Grades 11–12, \$530

Session 3: July 16–21

My Backpack, My Pony, and Me Grades 2–8, \$688

Saddle Up (horse program) Session III Grades 4–8, \$880

CIT I Grades 9–10, \$530

CIT II Grades 11–12, \$530

Session 4: July 23–28

There's Magic in Them Mountains Grades 2–8, \$688

Saddle Up (horse program) Session IV Grades 4–8, \$880

CIT I Grades 9–10, \$530

CIT II Grades 11–12, \$530

Session 5: July 30–Aug. 4

Epic Outdoor Adventures Grades 2–8, \$688

Saddle Up (horse program) Session V Grades 4–8, \$880

CIT I Grades 9–10, \$530

CIT II Grades 11–12, \$530

TRANSPORTATION

The adventure begins when she climbs on the camp bus and meets new friends! Transportation via school bus* to and from resident camp from the Arcadia, Long Beach, and Woodland Hills service centers is included in the cost of each session. You can also choose to drive your child to and from camp. However, we cannot accommodate interchanging the methods of transportation, so if your child rides the bus to camp, she must ride the bus home; if she's driven to camp, she must be picked up from camp. This mode of transportation indicated at the time of registration is final and cannot be changed—no exceptions. Additionally, a \$10 late fee will be charged for every 15 minutes after the designated pick-up time.

**Due to the mountain roads into camp we are restricted to the rental of school buses. We will arrange for a safe place to stop and use the restroom to and from camp, if needed.*

MEALS

At Osito Rancho we strive to provide well-balanced, kid-approved meals throughout the week. To accommodate all campers, we provide vegetarian, gluten-free, nut-free, and dairy-free options at each meal, if it is stated on the camper's Health History Form. Please note options may be different from what others are eating. If you feel that your child's dietary restrictions need more specific attention, please speak with the camp director prior to camp to ensure your camper's nutritional well-being and discuss options—e.g., having her bring her own meals.

HEALTH FORMS

Camp Osito Rancho partners with [CampDoc.com](https://www.campdoc.com), a secure, encrypted, and password-protected electronic health record system for camps. Within one week of your registration, you will receive a welcome email from [CampDoc.com](https://www.campdoc.com) with information and a link to set up your account and complete your camper's health history, which will be maintained year-to-year to make future Camp Osito health form submittals easier and faster. On the site, you will be required to upload physician-signed documentation of your camper's physical, which needs to have been done within 12 months of the first day of camp. All of this must be completed at least two weeks prior to your camper's session—no scanned or paper health history forms will be accepted, everything must be submitted via [CampDoc.com](https://www.campdoc.com).

If you need a Spanish health history form, do not have access to a computer, or have any questions about [CampDoc.com](https://www.campdoc.com), please contact ositoranchohealthforms@girlscoutsla.org or call the Osito Rancho Health Forms Hotline at 626-677-2282.

Si necesita una forma historial de salud, no tiene acceso a una computadora, o tiene alguna pregunta sobre [CampDoc.com](https://www.campdoc.com) puede comunicarse por correo electrónico a ositoranchohealthforms@girlscoutsla.org o llamar la línea directa de formularios de salud de Osito Rancho 626-677-2282.

CAMP ACCREDITATION

Camp Osito Rancho is accredited by the American Camp Association (ACA). Every three to five years, the camp goes through an accreditation process with onsite visits to evaluate and verify compliance with a set of national standards established by professionals in the camping industry. This is an action we take voluntarily. The standards establish guidelines for needed policies, procedures, and practices in the administration of key aspects of camp safety management. We were visited and inspected by the ACA in 2017 and are happy to report we passed with an A.

COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (CIT) PROGRAM

Camp Osito offers a CIT leadership program for girls in grades 9–12 during every week of resident camp. For information on prerequisites and how to apply, p. 27.

ACTIVITY CHANGES

Due to various factors, your camper may not be able to participate in all of the activities offered at Osito Rancho. Weather at camp can change rapidly causing our activities to be canceled due to rain or lightning. We do our best to reschedule, but due to time constraints this is not always possible.

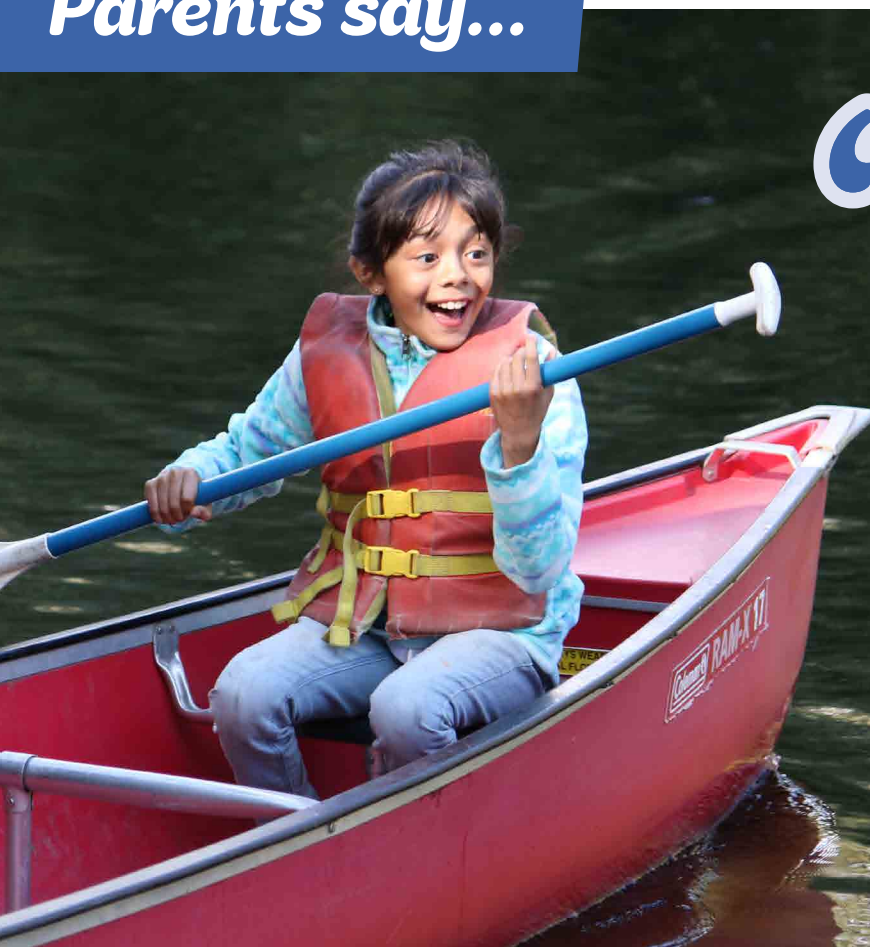
BADGES

Every badge tells her camp story! Girls at Osito will work on earning grade-level badges, such as Outdoor Adventurer, Eco Camper, and more.

GENERAL QUESTIONS/CONTACT

For more information about any of the resident camp sessions, operations, activities, or dietary needs, please contact Camp Osito directly at ositocamp@girlscoutsla.org or phone 909-866-7205.

Parents say...



My daughter loves Osito Rancho and the people you have there make all the difference in the world! Rain, thunder, and lightning just made her experience a little more interesting. She said it was the best summer ever!"

GIRL SCOUTS DISCOVER THE OUTDOORS IN THEIR OWN URBAN BACKYARD, WHERE GIRLS PLAY GAMES, CHALLENGE THEMSELVES, AND MAKE FRIENDS AT THIS POPULAR DAY CAMP.

EL RANCHITO

DAY CAMP

Located in Long Beach, El Ranchito offers an exciting adventure every week! At this beautiful tree-filled, park-like day camp, girls are grouped by grade level in shaded units. Girls explore traditional Girl Scout activities such as games, arts and crafts, songs, interacting with nature, and making new friends. They also have the opportunity to earn badges. El Ranchito is home to many exciting elements, including an archery range, gaga (a kinder and gentler version of dodge ball), low ropes course, and a 32-foot climbing wall. All campers can enjoy the gaga court and low-ropes course, and campers entering grades 2–6 have the opportunity to participate in archery and the climbing wall. These activities along with badge work, outdoor cooking, and “STEM Lab” science activities (think learning physics on the rock wall or even creating your own fidget spinner) are available every week of camp. (Please note: Due to safety activity guidelines from Girl Scouts of the USA, kindergarten and first-grade campers are unable to participate in climbing and archery.)

Campers entering grades 4–6 will experience an enhanced girl-led program, including building their leadership skills, exploring what it means to be a program aide, participating in more elaborate arts and craft projects, urban hiking through Heartwell Park, advanced team-building, gaga competitions, and more. Special weeks will offer an evening dinner and a campfire program. The themes for each week provide additional activities and enjoyment for the campers.

Each camper will receive daily snacks, a commemorative El Ranchito item, a camp patch, any badges earned, and a group picture.



EL RANCHITO CAMP KICK-OFF NIGHT

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Want to see what El Ranchito Day Camp is all about? We're kicking off camp registration with a good old-fashioned campfire, complete with songs and s'mores! Current and prospective campers are invited to attend with their families or troops (adult-to-girl ratio must be met). In addition to camp activities, we'll have registration kiosks where you can ask questions and sign up for camp. This is a free event, but please RSVP online at elranchitocampkickoff.eventbrite.com—use password: girlscout. Spaces will fill up fast!

G.I.R.L.YMPICS

June 18–22 | Grades K–6, \$205
(Family night, Wednesday evening)

Join us for a week filled with competition at our very own El Ranchito Olympics! Discover your G.I.R.L. trait: Are you a go-getter, innovator, risk-taker, or a leader? Girls will compete for the gold in sports such as soccer, volleyball, flag football, and of course, gaga (a kinder, gentler version of dodgeball). Each competition will incorporate sports, brain power, and puzzles. Only one team can be the champion—do you have what it takes? Families are welcome to join us Wednesday evening for a picnic and activities.

EL RANCHITO REQUEST LIVE

June 25–29 | Grades K–6, \$205
(Performance, Friday evening)

Help us transform El Ranchito into MTV, bringing to life the best kid-friendly music videos to ever exist! This year, our annual musical camp is inspired by Kidz Bop and Top 40 hits. Kick off the week with a classic song-and-dance lesson, learn about music genres, and even participate in a musical gaga tournament (kinder, gentler dodgeball). All units will use their imagination to create props and costumes, and learn and perform two musical numbers inspired by awesome music videos at the final performance. Families and friends are invited to attend “El Ranchito Request Live,” a grand finale performance, Friday, June 29, 4 p.m.

THE WONDERFUL WORLD OF WATER

July 2–6 (closed July 4)
Grades K–6, \$165 (prorated 4-day week)
(Performance, Friday evening)

Summertime brings the hot summer sun and the Fourth of July! Spend your holiday week with us as we do everything with water! From water balloons to camper car washes, this week focuses on fun in the sun and STEM through water activities. Girls will have fun participating in water science experiments, learn about marine life, and compete in water relays.



PROJECT FUNWAY

July 9–13 | Grades K–6, \$205

Who runs the world? Girls! Join us for a week where Girl Scouts will put their entrepreneurial skills to the test. Groups will be matched to create a product and business plan, and see which invention our judges choose as the best investment. Girls will participate in money-earning games and will work together to solve puzzles for bonus supplies. Whether it is a new app, a robot that cleans your room, or a new board game, girls have the opportunity to ignite their inner innovator and become El Ranchito's little big shots.

EL RANCHITO SURVIVOR

July 16–20
Grades K–3, \$205
Grades 4–6, \$215 (Wednesday evening program)

Our fourth annual El Ranchito Survivor day camp is back by popular demand! Join us as teams Wind, Fire, Sand, Water, Space, Earth, and Ice face off in a week of competition. Get back to Girl Scout basics by learning outdoor skills that will empower you to travel anywhere in the world! Improve your outdoor cooking skills, learn the art of knot tying, and geocache around Heartwell Park. Create memories with new friends in your tribe as you complete challenges on our low-ropes course and work together in an ultimate frisbee competition. Every day is an opportunity for your team to earn points to be remembered in our Legacy Winner's Circle.

BROADWAY MAGIC

July 23–27 | Grades K–6, \$205
(Final performance/variety show, Friday evening)

What do you get when you mix a little bit of Disney with a little bit of Broadway? Broadway magic. This week we are showcasing a remix of Broadway classics, bringing to life a world where *Wicked* might take place under the sea and *Hamilton* blends with *Frozen*. Work with your unit to prepare the script, songs, choreography, and props for two acts they will perform for a standing ovation at the final on-stage performance, July 27, 4 p.m. All units will create two acts to showcase their Broadway skills.

KALEIFORNIA TO NEW JERKY: A FOOD TOUR OF THE USA

July 30–Aug. 3
Grades K–3, \$205
Grades 4–6, \$215 (Wednesday evening program)

Take a cross-country trip where food is paired with the great outdoors. Girls will create delicious recipes inspired by different states. Tex-Mex? New Orleans Cajun? Hawaiian Barbecue? What sounds good to you? Girls will create their own restaurants inspired by their favorite flavors where they will create the menu and the themes—our judges will decide who takes home the blue ribbon.



COUNTRY SUMMER MYSTERY MAYHEM

Aug. 6-10 | Grades K-6, \$205

Get ready for a hootin' and hollerin' good time. This week is all about summer fairs and country living, so put on your boots and let's make sweet tea and homemade butter for our biscuits. But wait! Someone has stolen El Ranchito's secret chili recipe! Help us find the culprit so we can win the chili cook-off. Explore country summer while solving puzzles with clues from town characters. On Friday we'll host our cook-off, country fair, and hoedown.

HAPPY CAMPERS

Aug. 13-17 | Grades K-6, \$205

Our last week of camp is focused on the highlights of summer 2018. Bringing back all of our favorite activities from the summer, there will be dance-offs, survivor relays, outdoor cooking, inventions, and sports. Learn how making memories in the outdoors can inspire happiness and empower futures! Girls will create a spa at the end of the week to wrap up our lessons with some relaxation and self-care.

EL RANCHITO DAY CAMP AT A GLANCE

Picture this! Here's an example of what a week at El Ranchito might look like. When your girl registers for camp, you'll get a full schedule emailed to you. Two snacks are provided per day; campers bring their own lunch.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:05-9:15 am	Flag & announcements				
9:15-9:45 am	Rules/fire drill/nits	Rock climbing	Camp photos	Rock climbing	Archery
10-10:45 am	Unit time/Ice breakers	Badge work	Badge work	Badge work	Badge work
10:45 am-11:30 pm	Team building	Gaga	Sunset cowboy craft	"Wanted" poster making	Gaga tournament
11:30-12 pm	Cowboy boot craft	Candle making	Archery	Guest speaker/Community project	Chili cook-off preparation
12-12:30 pm	Lunch				
12:30-1 pm	Songs around the campfire	Songs around the campfire	Songs around the campfire	Songs around the campfire	Songs around the campfire
1-1:30 pm	Town hall meeting/mystery skit	Town hall meeting/mystery skit	Town hall meeting/mystery skit	Town hall meeting/mystery skit	Town hall meeting/mystery skit
1:30-2:15 pm	Line dancing session	Butter making	Outdoor cooking	Sewing lesson	Country summer carnival
3-3:30 pm	All-camp activity	All-camp activity	All-camp activity	All-camp activity	Chili cook-off & camper awards
3:30-3:45 pm	Clean up				
3:45-4 pm	Closing flag				

REGISTRATION

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HEALTH FORMS

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CAMP HOURS & EXTENDED CARE

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SUMMER CAMP LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: PROGRAM AIDE AND COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (CIT)

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BADGES

Every badge tells her camp story! Girls at El Ranchito will work on earning grade-level badges, such as Inventor, Practice with Purpose, Independence, and more.

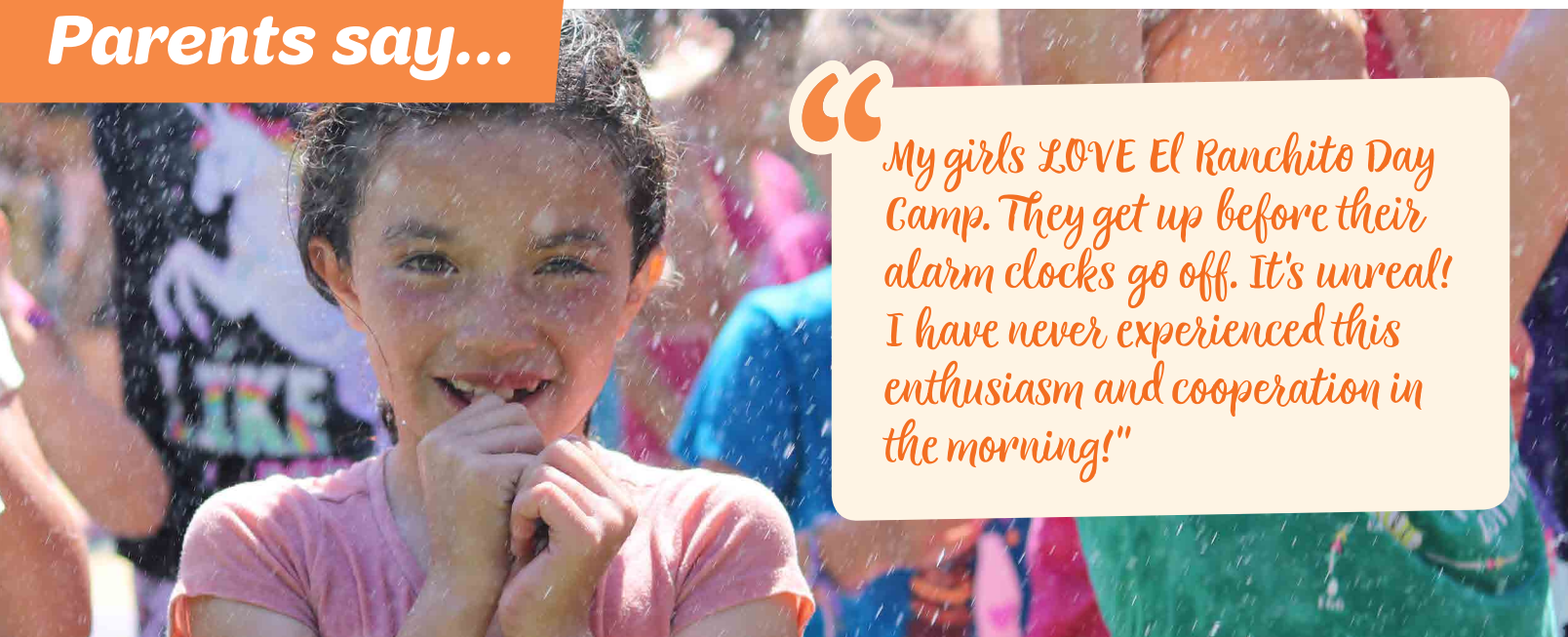
GENERAL QUESTIONS/CONTACT

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Parents say...



My girls LOVE El Ranchito Day Camp. They get up before their alarm clocks go off. It's unreal! I have never experienced this enthusiasm and cooperation in the morning!"



SPENDING SUMMER AT THE BEACH IS A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA TRADITION, AND GIRL SCOUTS GET IN ON THE FUN THROUGH EXCITING AQUATIC ACTIVITIES AT THIS WATERFRONT CAMP.

Marine Landing

DAY CAMP

Located in Long Beach, Marine Landing offers girls the opportunity to develop their paddling skills on kayaks and canoes, swim, and have fun in the sand at our own private beach. Girls will meet new friends, have daily boating time, create crafts, and take trips to adjacent Mother's Beach in the beautiful Alamitos Bay. Skill-building programming such as badge work, cooking, and new-this-year "STEM Lab" science activities (think designing board games, squid dissections, and more), are included in each week's schedule. Girls in grades 4–8 have the added bonus of paddle-boarding and experiencing girl-led activities as well as attending extended evening programs on certain weeks.

Each camper will receive daily snacks, camp patch, any badges earned, a commemorative Marine Landing item, and a group photo.



MARINE LANDING CAMP KICK-OFF NIGHT

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Want to see what Marine Landing Day Camp is all about? We're kicking off camp registration with a good old-fashioned campfire, complete with s'mores and songs led by your favorite counselors-in-training. Current and prospective campers are invited to attend with their families or troops (adult-to-girl ratio must be met). In addition to camp activities, we'll have registration kiosks where you can ask questions and sign up for camp. This is a free event, but please RSVP at marinelandingkickoff.eventbrite.com—use password: girlscout. Spaces will fill up fast!

MARINE LANDING FAMILY NIGHT!

June 21 | All Ages, Free | 4:30-7 p.m.

Excited for camp? Get an awesome start to your summer by visiting Marine Landing and meeting the fantastic staff! All family members of Marine Landing campers are welcome to attend this free event; you can be registered for ANY week of camp. Experience an evening of camp by boating, exploring, and playing fun games. Itching to kayak? Remember, all kayakers must be at least six years old, have closed-toe water shoes, and wear clothing that can get wet. Feel free to bring your favorite picnic food and join us on the grass for dinner.

PADDLIN' PIONEERS

June 18-22

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235

Marine Landing is turning back its clock 150 years to pioneer days! Girl Scouts may not have been around, but the girls today can still learn a thing or two from the settlers of the west. We will be churnin' our own butter, makin' covered wagons and canoein' down the channel in this week filled with old-fashioned fun. Campers are invited to bring their family to Marine Landing Family Night to enjoy boating and games, June 21, 4:30-7 p.m. See details above.

CHEFS BY THE SEASHORE—LOCAVORE

June 25-29

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235

What makes California great? The food and the culture, obviously! We will explore different regions of California through eating and learning—from the sourdough bread of the San Francisco Wharf to the tamales of Olvera Street. In between swimming on the beach and boating down the channel, our Girl Scouts will be heating up the kitchen and learning some local California traditions.

THE CASE OF THE MISSING MASCOT

July 2-6 (closed July 4)

Grades K-3, \$170 (prorated 4-day week)

Grades 4-8, \$185 (prorated 4-day week)

Marine Landing's official mascot, Fred the Sea Lion, has disappeared! While we search for clues to find our missing friend, our campers must vote on a new mascot. So step right up and cast your ballot! We want to see what ideas you have and who you will vote for this Fourth of July. Who knows what mysteries can be solved!

DESTINATION: INNOVATION!

July 9-13

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235 (Thursday evening program)

During this week, rules don't apply to imagination! Every day will bring a new challenge for girls to use their right and left brains. How tall can you make a tower of newspaper? How creative is your miniature golf attraction? Can your Popsicle-stick sail boat hold the most pennies? When there are no rules, the possibilities are endless. Don't miss our Ultimate Innovation Challenge on Friday to see if your group wins the Innovation Trophy! Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day at camp that includes dinner and a campfire program.

GS JUNGLE CRUISE

July 16-20

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235

Grab your binoculars and hiking boots—we are going exploring! Kayak up and down our Naples channel and scour the beach in search of adventure. Gear up for the outdoors and learn some necessary camping skills like fire safety and knot tying, as Marine Landing is transformed into the Amazon.

Girls say...



“

I'm sure you will love Marine Landing. You can kayak, canoe, and swim. And, we have a sea lion mascot named Fred.”

KEEP CALM AND BOOGIE ON

July 23-27

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235 (Thursday evening program)

Ever just need a moment to unwind? Join us for a relaxing and girl-powered spa week! Explore the power and beauty in us all by learning how to make a DIY facemask, boogying your stress away, and so much more. What better setting to squeeze in some R&R and dance time than beachside? Learn how to take care of yourself—inside and out. Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day at camp that includes dinner and a campfire program.

GO FOR THE GOLD...BRONZE OR SILVER

July 30-Aug. 3

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235

The games never change, but the memories do. Our favorite competitions are back with synchronized swimming, sand castle-building, and the ever important team cheer! What team will win this year? You'll have to be at our closing ceremonies to find out! The competition will heat up as girls earn badges!

SEA LIONS, TIGER SHARKS, AND SEA HARES, OH MY!

Aug. 6-10

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235 (Thursday evening program)

Jump underwater as we explore and learn about the animals that live below the water's surface. Between some animal visitors and our own scientific expeditions via kayaks, you will learn how real-life marine biologists collect their data. Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day at camp that includes dinner and a campfire program.

WONDERFUL WORLD OF ANIMATION

Aug. 13-17

Grades K-3, \$215

Grades 4-8, \$235

Discover the world of animation! In between paddle sessions on the water, girls will learn the treasured history and magic of animation. From creating simple flip books to filming their own claymation masterpieces, girls will have a week filled with art, animated characters, and laughs.

MARINE LANDING DAY CAMP AT A GLANCE

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9:15-9:30 am	Flag & announcements				
9:30-10 am	Safety orientation	Boats down			
10-10:50 am	Breakout activity: "Diner dash relay"	Kayaks	Free swim	Badge work	Paddleboards
11:10 am-12 pm	Boating 101 & swim Test	Badge work	Canoes & kayaks	Free swim	Badge work
12-12:30 pm	Lunch				
12:30-1 pm	SWAPS	Hand jive dance lesson	Guest speaker	CIT-Led activity	Decorate for All-camp activity
1-1:50 pm	Badge work	Free swim	STEM Lab: Water Wall	Boating excursion	Free swim
2:10-3 pm	Free swim	Kids Kitchen: DIY ice cream	Badge work	'50s glasses craft	All-camp activity
3-3:00 pm	Cleanup	Boats up & Cleanup	Boats up & Cleanup	Boats up & Cleanup	Boats up & Cleanup
3:30-4 pm	Closing flag & songs				Closing flag & songs & awards

REGISTRATION

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HEALTH FORMS

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SUMMER CAMP LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (CIT)

Girls entering 9–12 grade are eligible to participate in our counselors-in-training program at Marine Landing. For more information on prerequisites and how to apply, go to p. 27.

SWIMMING EVALUATION

All girls will participate in a swim evaluation on the first day of camp. Girls of all swimming abilities may participate in all camp programming. Life vests are mandatory while boating and are available for swimming.

ACTIVITY CHANGES

Occasionally, camp programming may change with little or no notice, due to weather or water closures. During beach closures, additional land-based programs such as crafts, water games, and special activities will be provided. We do not offer refunds for beach or water closures as we still provide quality land-based activities.

BADGES

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GENERAL QUESTIONS/CONTACT

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NESTLED IN A QUIET NEIGHBORHOOD IN THE FOOTHILLS, THIS BELOVED DAY CAMP BRINGS GIRL SCOUTS CLOSE TO NATURE WHILE TAKING PART IN BOTH TRADITIONAL AND INNOVATIVE PROGRAMS.

MARIPOSA

DAY CAMP

Mariposa, located in Altadena, offers themed weeks with several different emphases from which girls can choose. Girls participate in new and traditional Girl Scout activities while making new friends, developing self-esteem, and making lasting memories. Every week girls will enjoy our gaga (a kinder, gentler version of dodgeball) court, low-ropes elements, new this year “STEM Lab” science activities (think exploring cloud formations, making constellation viewers, and more), and “kids’ kitchen” cooking activities. The themes for each week provide additional activities and experiences for the campers.

All campers receive daily snacks, a camp commemorative item, any badges earned, and a camp group photo.



MARIPOSA CAMP KICK-OFF NIGHT

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Want to see what Mariposa Day Camp is all about? We’re kicking off camp registration with a good old-fashioned campfire, complete with songs, s’mores, and SWAPS! Current and prospective campers are invited to attend with their families or troops (adult-to-girl ratio must be met). In addition to camp activities, we’ll have registration kiosks where you can ask questions and sign up for camp. This is a free event, but please RSVP at mariposakickoff.eventbrite.com—use password: girlscout. Spaces will fill up fast!

DREAM IT, MAKE IT

June 11-15

Grades K-6, \$205

Do you love to take things apart to see how they work? Are you always dreaming up new gadgets? This week is for you! In this engineering-focused week girls will learn how to bring an idea to life! Campers are encouraged to think big as we learn about the engineering design process and create our own problem-solving prototypes. Girls will meet visiting engineers from different fields and pitch their next big idea!

PASSPORT AROUND THE WORLD

June 18-22

Grades K-6, \$205

Calling all future world travelers! Each day we will celebrate a Girl Scout World Centre and learn how Girl Scouts and Girl Guides around the world live. World Centres are Girl Scout houses that offer scouting programs and accommodations for Girl Scouts from all over the world, run by the World Association of Girl Scouts and Girl Guides. From Our Chalet in Switzerland to Our Cabaña in Mexico, we will explore international stories, games, food, and more.

UNICORN DANCE PARTY

June 25-29

Grades K-6, \$205

What is involved in a Unicorn Dance Party, you ask? Campers will get in touch with their inner unicorn and find out what makes them special while learning new dance moves and creating unicorn crafts. Join us for a week of tutu-making, dancing, and confidence-building activities! Parents and friends are invited to join us for a performance and family dance party on Friday.

LET'S GET COOKING

July 2-6 (closed July 4)

Grades K-6, \$165 (prorated 4-day week)

We are cooking up adventure and a whole lot more during this week of food and fun! Girls will create cuisine from around the world, explore healthy eating, and make a camp recipe book to take home. Campers will also learn about outdoor cooking and make a meal perfect for their next big campout. Units will stretch their creativity and culinary skills in the third annual Mariposa Cupcake Wars! Parents are invited to attend a Friday picnic with light refreshments made by our campers.

ADVENTURELAND

July 9-13

Grades K-3, \$205

Grades 4-6, \$215 (Wednesday evening program)

Grab your backpack and compass and come with us on an adventure! Girls will learn camping basics like knots, meal planning, and fire building. Units will put their skills to the test in an outdoor adventure competition on Friday. Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day program that includes dinner, and a campfire program.

NATURE DETECTIVES

July 16-20

Grades K-6, \$205

What do clouds tell us about the weather? How can you tell how old a tree is? This week is all about learning how to view the world as an environmental scientist. Girls will dissect owl pellets, make water filters, learn how to identify local birds, and more. Campers will also become real citizen scientists by participating in LA Natural History Museum's Lost Ladybug Project and LA Butterfly survey.



ROBO-SCOUTS

July 23-27

Grades K-3, \$205

Grades 4-6, \$215 (Wednesday evening program)

Join us as we discover the wide world of robotics. Girls will learn what robots do, how they are made, and some programming basics while designing their own robot. Industry professionals will stop by to inspire our future robotic engineers! Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day program that includes dinner and a campfire program.

IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE!

July 30-Aug. 3

Grades K-6, \$205

From identifying animal footprints to making lion manes, get ready for a wild week! Campers will learn all about the animals who call the jungle home as well as what they can do to help preserve the world's forests. During the week we will be joined by a few animal friends. On Friday campers will test their observational skills with a counselor safari!

BEACH BLANKET BASH

Aug. 6-10

Grades K-3, \$205

Grades 4-6, \$215 (Wednesday evening program)

Grab your beach ball and swimsuit and head over to the Beach Blanket Bash! Campers will spend the week learning about tide pools, ocean wildlife, and more. No beach party is complete without water games, ice-cream making, and a Friday luau! Water days will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Girls entering fourth grade and above are invited to join us for an extended day program that includes dinner and a campfire program.



MARIPOSA DAY CAMP AT A GLANCE

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9:15-10 am	Rules/fire drill/units	All-camp activity	All-camp robot building	All-camp activity	Unit time
10-10:45 am	Unit time/ice breakers	Badge work			
10:45-11:30	Badge work	Knot lesson	Trail sign lesson	Outdoor cooking	Ranger relay practice
11:30 am-12:15 pm	SWAPS	First aid lesson/crafts	Sit-upon making	Girl Scout games	Owl craft
12:15-12:45 pm	Lunch				
12:45-1:15 pm	All-camp activity				
1:15-2 pm	Pinecone lesson	Knife safety/Daisy craft	Semaphore lesson	Para Cord bracelet craft	Nature scavenger hunt
2-3 pm	Teambuilding	Skit practice	Special guest	PA game	Ranger relay
3-3:30 pm	Unit time				
3:30-3:45 pm	Cleanup				
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SUMMER CAMP LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: PROGRAM AIDE AND COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (CIT)

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BADGES

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GENERAL QUESTIONS/CONTACT

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Girls say...



*At Camp Mariposa,
I learned that
Girl Scouts can do
anything."*





GIRL SCOUTS TAKE A BREAK FROM CITY LIFE AT THIS HIDDEN GEM, WHERE GIRLS CONNECT WITH THE OUTDOORS AND EMBARK ON ADVENTURES IN THE WILDERNESS CLOSE TO HOME.

Girls connect with nature at La Casita. Nestled in the foothills of north Claremont, this tranquil five-acre setting is surrounded by 1,600 acres of rolling hills, hiking trails, and bountiful wildlife. La Casita Day Camp also features an archery range and high-ropes course which allows campers (Junior–Cadette) to seek adventure and gain new skills. This is a great environment for girls to get a taste of camp. Girls are grouped according to age level and assigned to small units for individual activities.

Each camper receives a daily snack, program activities, T-shirt, and a patch. Girls will need to bring a lunch and a reusable water bottle each day.

NATURE NUTS

June 18-22
Grades K-6, \$160
PAs, \$70

Are you nuts for nature? Come to La Casita Day Camp to find your adventure in the out-of-doors. Campers will explore nature by taking guided hikes, take on Leave No Trace principles, gain and practice outdoor skills, try their hand at archery, and much more. While at camp, all girls will learn how to plan for a camping adventure, cook an outdoor meal, and set up a campsite.

ECO-EXPLORERS

June 25-29
Grades K-6, \$160
PAs, \$70

Explore the outdoors and the little things that make it awesome—from the trees to the flowers, the bugs on the ground to the birds in the sky. Campers will enjoy creating art and science projects inspired by nature. All campers will enjoy learning about the eco-system at La Casita Day Camp, study plants and flowers, conduct outdoor earth science experiments, and so much more.

CAMP HOURS

Camp hours are 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Extended Care is not available for La Casita.

SUMMER CAMP LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES: PROGRAM AIDE

Girls entering grades 7–12 are eligible to participate in camp as program aides. For more information on prerequisites and how to apply, go to p. 27.

ADULT VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Help facilitate a fun and successful camp! One-day and multi-day volunteer opportunities are available. For more information, please contact Deanne Moore, dmoore@girlscoutsla.org.

BADGES

Every badge tells her camp story! Girls at La Casita will work on earning grade-level badges, such as Art Maker, Primitive Camping, Animals and Habitats, and more.

GENERAL QUESTIONS/CONTACT

For more information, please contact La Casita Camp Director Deanne Moore, dmoore@girlscoutsla.org.



Specialty OVERNIGHT Camps

ROCKIN' ROBOTS – GIRLS ONLY

Aug. 10-12

Grades 7-12, \$135

Montrose Program Center

A weekend overnighter with everything you love about Girl Scouts, plus robots! Numerous elements of an effective robotics program will be covered including game strategy, robot design, building and rebuilding, programming and re-programming, as well as competitive judging. This camp targets older girls curious about robotics and/or interested in joining a FIRST Tech Challenge robotics team. Campers will build and program robots and have a chance to compete in a FIRST Tech Challenge-style mini-tournament at the end of the event. Hosted by the RobotGirls—award-winning GSGLA robotics teams #25 Rock N' Roll Robots and #5218 Javabots—this camp primarily introduces girls to designing and building robotic systems as well as how to communicate technical ideas and work as a team. Camp participation fulfills the pre-season training requirement for new RobotGirls team members.

LOGISTICS

Camp starts at 5 p.m. on Friday and ends at 5 p.m. on Sunday. Participants must commit to attending and participating in all camp days. Health Information, Consent for Treatment/Waiver, and Photo Release Forms must be completed. Please bring dinner for Friday night, a snack to share, and personal supplies for a two-night overnighter. Appropriate clothing and shoes are required: Shoes must fully enclose the foot, long hair must be secured, and dangling clothing or jewelry is not permitted. Must bring a sleeping bag and pad for sleeping indoors on a hard tile floor. Price includes: all meals for Saturday and Sunday, training binder, and supplies. For more information, please contact Leslie Nesbit, lnesbit@girlscoutsla.org.

OCEAN FUN ON CATALINA ISLAND – TROOPS OR MOM & ME'S

Session I: Sept. 21-23

Session II: Sept. 28-30

Grades 4-12, \$265 (girls & adults)

Grades 9-12, \$190 (Program Aide Leadership Experience-can attend without an adult)

Ready for a weekend of island fun? This is an exciting opportunity to kayak, snorkel, swim, and learn about marine life in the beautifully preserved waters of Catalina Island. Plus, show off your talent in a center-stage campfire performance on Saturday night. Troops are welcome to plan their own additional programs to include sports, hiking, and beachcombing.

LOGISTICS

This is an event for troops and "Mom and Me's." The camp is based out of Howland's Landing on Catalina Island, near Two Harbors. Participants must use our transportation. Special arrangements cannot be made. A troop roster of all attending is required. Price includes: round-trip boat transportation, waterfront programs, accommodations, patch, optional badge work and all meals. Transportation details will be emailed to participants closer to the departure date. For more information, please contact Devin Niebrugge, dniebrugge@girlscoutsla.org.

Program Aide (PA):

Girls entering grades 9-12 are eligible to participate in Ocean Fun as program aides. For an application, contact Devin Niebrugge, dniebrugge@girlscoutsla.org.

ISLAND OF THE BLUE DOLPHINS – CHANNEL ISLANDS

SESSION 1 – GIRLS ONLY

June 28-30

Grades 7-12, \$315

Experience a whole new side of California on this special adventure to the Channel Islands! On a guided kayak excursion, discover beautiful and mysterious sea caves and kelp forests abundant with marine life. Snorkel amongst rare, protected marine species, and hike to breathtaking peaks—all while exercising leadership skills and connecting with your Girl Scout sisters! Camp in tents under the night sky—this is your chance to explore history, discover a new world, and challenge yourself to try new adventures!

SESSION 2 – HIGH-ADVENTURE GIRLS ONLY

July 11-14

Grades 8-12, \$350

Take your Blue Dolphin adventure on the Channel Islands to the next level! This is an advanced island adventure where girls will spend two days on the guided excursion, learning about marine ecology and natural history as well as participating in team-building challenges on the water.

SESSION 3 – TROOP & FAMILY (ADULTS AND SIBLINGS)

July 27-29

Grades 7-12, \$315

Participate in the Island of the Blue Dolphins camp on the Channel Islands with your favorite posse—your fam or your troop!

LOGISTICS

Price includes: round-trip boat transportation, campsite, kayaks (lessons and gear), snorkeling equipment (including wetsuit), meals, snacks, a patch, and knowledgeable island guides. It is recommended that participants are comfortable with ocean swimming. Excursion departs from and returns to the Ventura Harbor. Transportation details will be emailed to participants closer to the departure date. For more information, please contact Melissa Pepe, mpepe@girlscoutsla.org.

ADVENTURE IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS AT CAMP OSITO RANCHO – TROOP & FAMILY

Session I: May 18-20

Session II: Sept. 21-23

Grades 2-12, \$132 (per person, both girls and adults)

Escape the city life and enjoy a weekend full of adventures, exploring the great outdoors. Your adventure may include conquering the rock wall, hiking a new trail, learning archery and survival skills, or navigating a canoe. Enjoy nature at its finest as you build memories to last a lifetime. After the sun sets, sing songs and enjoy camp skits around the campfire.

LOGISTICS

Price includes: staff-led program activities, meals, and indoor lodging. All facilities have hot and cold running water and flush toilets. For more information, please contact the camp director at ositocamp@girlscoutsla.org.

STARRY NIGHTS: LAKOTA ADVENTURE WEEKEND – TROOP ONLY

Session I: July 13-15

Session II: Aug. 24-26

Grades 2-12 \$60 (per person, both girls and adults)

Have you ever wanted to camp under a full moon? Escape the city lights and explore the galaxy of stars at Camp Lakota. Spend the weekend tent-camping under the stars and exploring nature's best. Your camping trip may include mastering the low- and high-ropes course, archery, exploring new trails, or swimming in the pool. Learn camping skills that will last a lifetime. When the stars come out, sing songs and enjoy s'mores around the campfire.

LOGISTICS

Price includes: staff-led program activities and camp sites. Please note that troops are solely responsible for all meals, tents, and camping equipment. All camp sites will have access to running water and toilets. For more information, please contact the camp director at Imoede@girlscoutsla.org.

For All Troops, Groups, Family Camps — Adults must register as a participant and attend the camp with their girls in keeping with girl-to-adult ratio. We are unable to provide additional adults to meet the girl-to-adult ratio for your group. Please reference p. 35 of *Volunteer Essentials* for ratio information.

FAMILY CAMP AT OSITO RANCHO – TROOP & FAMILY

Session I: Aug. 10-12

Session II: Aug. 17-19

All Ages, \$165 (per person ages 4 and up, no cost for children under 4 years)

Who says camp fun is just for the kids? Enjoy the magic of Camp Osito Rancho in Big Bear for your next family mini-vacation! Join in an action-packed weekend of activities, including horse trail riding for campers in fourth grade and above, and arena rides for second- and third-graders. There is also swimming, archery, canoeing, a ropes course, and a zip line (restricted to eighth-graders and older with a weight restriction of 80–250 lbs.). After the sun sets, sing and enjoy camp skits around the campfire. Most activities have age restrictions of six years and above, but there is a game area and heated pool for younger family members. (Please note: The terrain is rugged and at an elevation of 7,500 feet.)

LOGISTICS

Price includes: staff-led program activities, meals, and indoor lodging. All facilities have hot and cold running water and flush toilets. Please note: Adults must accompany their children at all times. For more information, please contact the camp director at ositocamp@girlscoutsla.org.

SHE & ME FUN AT OSITO

Sept. 28-30

Grades 2-12, \$132 (per person, both girls and adults)

Bring your daughter, granddaughter, niece, troop, or special friend for a relaxing, joyous weekend together in one of the most beautiful natural landscapes the San Bernardino Mountains have to offer. This is a weekend to bond in sisterhood, while enjoying blissful activities like girl-led spa treatments, special arts and crafts, and tranquil hikes to breathtaking vistas. For the adventurous, you may climb on our ropes course, or do archery and canoeing. Later, rehearse a special song or talent and share it with your sister Girl Scouts around a glowing fire after the sun sets.

LOGISTICS

Price includes: staff-led program activities, meals, and indoor lodging. All facilities have hot and cold running water and flush toilets. For more information, please contact the camp director at ositocamp@girlscoutsla.org.

For All Troops, Groups, Family Camps — Adults must register as a participant and attend the camp with their girls in keeping with girl-to-adult ratio. We are unable to provide additional adults to meet the girl-to-adult ratio for your group. Please reference p. 35 of *Volunteer Essentials* for ratio information.

WORK PARTY WEEKENDS AT OSITO RANCHO – GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS

Session I: June 1-3

Session II: Sept. 14-16

Grades 2-12, \$20

We need you! In June, help get camp ready for summer. In September, help winterize camp. Families, troops, groups, or individuals may register. There is something for everyone to do. Work party weekends are an opportunity to make a real difference while enjoying fun family, friend, or troop time. You'll get to enjoy nature while working in one of the most beautiful places in the San Bernardino Mountains. It's also a great chance for families to see and experience the camp that their kids enjoy in the summer. We will provide helpers with a cozy bed and healthy meals to keep you going. Projects vary in their labor-intensiveness, but only enthusiasm is required.

LOGISTICS

Price includes: staff-led program activities, meals, and indoor lodging. All facilities have hot and cold running water and flush toilets. For more information, please contact the camp director at ositocamp@girlscoutsla.org.





Summer Camp LEADERSHIP Experiences

PROGRAM AIDE (PA) AND COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT) PROGRAMS

Hey, older Girl Scouts! Ready to be a role model for younger campers?

The program aide (PA) and counselor-in-training (CIT) programs are progression-based opportunities which give older girls the chance to be involved in leadership, problem-solving, and learning scenarios at our day camps and resident camps. PA and CIT programs run during the regular sessions of camp (refer to each camp's section in the camp guide for information on camp sessions and dates). Please read the following information on both programs to learn the distinction between PAs and CITs as well as pre-requisites and how to apply.

	PA Program (Grades 7-8)	CIT Program (Grades 9-12)	Prerequisite PA Training required for PAs & CITs	Camp Orientation for PAs & CITs
El Ranchito	YES	YES	YES	YES
Marine Landing	NO	YES	YES	YES
Mariposa	YES	YES	YES	YES
Camp Osito Rancho	NO	YES	YES	NO
La Casita	YES	NO	YES	YES

PROGRAM AIDE (PA), GRADES 7-8

Day camp program aides work with and share their knowledge and talents with younger girls, while gaining valuable experience under adult supervision. The PA program is offered at day camps: Mariposa, El Ranchito, and La Casita (NOTE: Camp Osito Rancho and Marine Landing DO NOT accept PAs; girls entering grades 7-8 are considered campers at both camps). To become a PA, girls must have completed a required one-time program aide training. PAs earn community service and leadership hours while satisfying school volunteer and Girl Scout leadership requirements.

COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT), GRADES 9-12

Girls interested in a future job as a camp counselor or who want to expand their leadership skills may participate in our CIT I (entering grades 9-10) or CIT II (entering grades 11-12) summer leadership experience. The CIT program is offered at day camps—El Ranchito, Marine Landing, Mariposa—AND resident camp, Camp Osito Rancho. The program creates a progression that prepares Senior and Ambassador Girl Scouts for roles in youth leadership in and outside of camp. Although much of the time at camp will be focused on the CIT curriculum, girls will have the opportunity to participate in other activities specific to the camp they are attending. Regardless of age, all CITs must complete a one-time program aide training.

REQUIRED PREREQUISITE TRAINING FOR PROGRAM AIDES (PAS) AND COUNSELORS-IN-TRAINING (CITs)

Girls wishing to become either a PA or CIT must complete a one-time program aide training, which will help prepare girls for the leadership experience and outline their responsibilities. If girls have completed the training in past years, they DO NOT need to complete it again. There are two ways to complete the training:

- If you have 10 or more girls who need to be trained, use our PA-to-Go, a do-it-yourself way to complete the PA training with the help of an adult volunteer. Find the online reservation application and more information here: girlscoutsla.org/pa

OR

- Attend a scheduled training led by council staff at a GSGLA service center or day camp. Visit girlscoutsla.org/events and search for “Program Aide” (in the yellow “Leadership & Awards” category). Please note: spaces are limited in these trainings; renting the PA-to-Go is recommended.



STEPS TO BECOME A DAY CAMP PROGRAM AIDE (PA) OR COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT)

To become a PA or CIT at Mariposa, El Ranchito and La Casita, OR to become a CIT at Marine Landing:

- 1 Complete the required prerequisite PA training—through PA-to-Go or by attending an in-person program aide training. (Yes, CITs must complete this, too.)
- 2 Complete an online PA/CIT application at girlscoutsla.org/summercamp. This application gets sent directly to the camp director of the camp you're applying to. You will be able to register for specific weeks which are available on a first-come, first-served basis. There will be a PayPal link at the end of the application. If you are applying for campership, please fill out the e-form, select Financial Aid as payment, and submit your completed application ASAP.
- 3 Wait for a confirmation email from GSGLA to confirm your registration.
- 4 Attend a mandatory orientation prior to her first day at camp. Orientation dates are listed on the application as well as on the GSGLA events calendar (girlscoutsla.org/events). You will receive a confirmation via email after submitting the application.

STEPS TO BECOME AN OVERNIGHT CAMP COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (CIT)

To become a CIT for our resident camp, Camp Osito Rancho*:

- 1 Complete the required prerequisite PA training—through PA-to-Go or by attending an in-person program aide training. (Yes, CITs must complete this, too.)
- 2 Complete an online resident camp CIT application at girlscoutsla.org/summercamp. The application will be sent to the Osito camp director. You will be able to request specific weeks which are available on a first-come, first-served basis. If you are applying for a campership, please complete the e-form and campership application ASAP.
- 3 Wait for a confirmation email from the Osito Rancho camp director, which you will receive within two weeks after submission. The email will have direct links to register and pay for your approved weeks at camp.
- 4 Using the links provided by the camp director, register through eBiz for each approved week. The links are valid for two weeks from when you receive them, so please ensure you register within this timeframe, or your CIT spots may be lost.
- 5 Attend the CIT orientation on the first day of camp at Osito Rancho. (There is no orientation prior to coming to Osito for your CIT camp session.)

Camp

REGISTRATION

WE'RE GOING (GIRL SCOUT) GREEN!

**Registration for all summer camps
opens Feb. 23, 2018**

WHEN TO REGISTER

Registrations are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. We encourage current Girl Scouts to register online to expedite the registration process before spots sell out! Girls must be registered members for the 2017-18 membership year in order to register for GSGLA camps.

HOW TO REGISTER

Register online at girlscoutsla.org/summercamp. You'll need an eBiz account and a credit card to sign up for GSGLA camps (and all GSGLA programs): Simply click on "E-Biz" on the top right-hand corner of our homepage and set up your account. Need help or have to reset your login? Email registration@girlscoutsla.org.

Email is the main form of camp communication, so please enter an email address that you actively use, and check your Spam folder regularly.

Not a Girl Scout member? Not a problem! You'll just need to fill out our membership form (visit girlscoutsla.org/summercamp), using a credit card to purchase a Girl Scout membership (\$25 per year). Send your completed form and credit card-only payment either to registration@girlscoutsla.org, OR via our secure fax-line, 909-608-0129. Allow two business days to process, then check your email to find your eBiz login credentials.

Registered as a Girl Scout in another council? No worries! Simply submit your GSGLA camp forms via our secure fax line, 909-608-0129, and contact your council to request that they share your girl's membership record with GSGLA. For additional assistance, email registration@girlscoutsla.org.

Girls who would like to request a "camp buddy" may do so online. Girls must register for the same camp session. While every attempt is made to place girls together, it is not guaranteed.

El Ranchito, Marine Landing, Mariposa, and Camp Osito Rancho allow for deposits. All other camps found in the camp guide require full payment at the time of registration. Deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable between camps.

NEW!

Camp forms are now available online at girlscoutsla.org/summercamp.

If you don't have access to download the forms, please call 626-677-3600 and we'll send them to you by fax, email, or mail.

CAMP/PROGRAM CREDIT CARDS

Camp/Program Credit Cards can be used to pay for camp sessions in full or in partial payments through paper registration only. They cannot be used to pay for the camp fee deposit. If you are attending a camp that has a deposit fee, you must pay the deposit fee with your personal credit card and then you may use the Camp/Program Credit Card for the remaining balance payment. Paper registration must include the 24-digit card number and the right-side two-digit number located on the back of the card. Please direct all questions to registration@girlscoutsla.org.

CAMP BALANCES

Camp fee balances are due four weeks prior to the start of every camp session. Late payments or payments not received will result in a loss of placement in the camp and loss of the deposit. It is the responsibility of the camper's parent to pay camp fee balances by this deadline. Balance reminders will not be sent. Balances may be checked through your eBiz account. If a registration is submitted after balances are due, payment in full is required.

If your camper is dropped from the camp due to balance not being paid by the deadline and if you still wish for the camper to attend the camp, you will need to pay a new deposit fee along with the remainder of the camp balance. Payment must be in full and space must be available at the camp—no exceptions.

REFUND POLICY

No refunds and no prorated refunds will be made for campers who arrive late, leave early, attend only part of the camp, or choose not to attend the camp. All deposits for all camps are non-refundable and non-transferrable.

Please check school calendar prior to registering your camper to avoid loss of deposit. If your camper is required to attend summer school, please contact registration@girlscoutsla.org.

If a camper can no longer attend camp due to illness or injury—a physician's letter must accompany the refund request prior to the start of camp. Please email to registration@girlscoutsla.org.

Refund requests must be submitted by email to Camp Registration at registration@girlscoutsla.org.



At camp, I feel free; free to be who I want without being judged, free to be as loud as I want and for people around me to be loved too and free to think and feel. At home we are judged so much, it's a rare thing to feel completely and utterly free. That is why camp is so important to me."



Camperships (FINANCIAL AID)

Deadline to apply is May 11, 2018!

To apply for financial aid “camperships,” **DO NOT** register online. Camperships are only processed by paperwork. Completed submissions are received and processed on a first-come, first-served basis, **Feb. 23–May 11, 2018**—regardless of when the selected camp(s) takes place. Campership availability is limited per camp.

Camperships are awarded only to registered girl members of GSGLA on the basis of financial need only, and are available for all resident, day, and specialty camps. Each applicant will be considered for one resident/specialty camp or two day camps. Families are asked to provide the maximum dollar amount they can contribute for camp. This amount is based on what a family can afford and must be provided with the campership application for consideration. **Parents interested in applying for a campership must submit all of the following documents (incomplete applications will not be considered and will be returned by mail):**

- Completed Camp Registration Form
- Maximum dollar amount family is able to contribute at time of registration
- Completed double-sided Financial Aid Campership Application (submit only one application per girl)
- 2017 tax returns (If 2017 has not been filed, submit copy of 2016 tax return.)

Completed campership forms must be faxed to 909-608-0129. Please direct all financial aid questions to registration@girlscoutsla.org.

Campership awards are the same for every applicant, regardless of race, ethnicity, age, or special needs, provided all program requirements are met. **Campers who are selected to receive a campership will be informed of their award by email. Please be certain to check your Spam folder for communications.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Is a campership different than financial aid?

No. The terms are used interchangeably.

Can I apply for a campership through my GSGLA eBiz account?

No. Campership applications are only processed through paper forms and faxed to our secure fax line: 909-608-0129.

Can I hold a camp spot for my daughter through my eBiz account while I apply for campership?

No. Camp spots designated for camperships are processed manually and are not included in the camp spots you see on eBiz. You must receive approval on your application before your camper will be given a camp spot. There are limited spots in each camp reserved for camperships.

My daughter received confirmation from the camp director that she can be a counselor-in-training/program aide (CIT/PA), but I also need to apply for a campership. Do I submit the same campership forms?

Yes. The application to be a CIT/PA is a separate process from applying for a campership. Please follow the CIT/PA process, and submit the completed Financial Aid Campership Application and Camp Registration Form, family contribution, and proof of income to our secure fax line: 909-608-0129.

When will my application be reviewed and processed?

Processing begins the same day the application is received. A confirmation email will be sent to the email address listed on the application notifying you that the application has been received.

When will I be notified of my campership application status and placement of my daughter in camp?

Please allow up to two weeks, upon receipt of the completed forms. If the forms are incomplete, the application will be set aside until all required information and documents have been received.

How do I receive an update status on my application?

All contact will be made through email, using the email address listed on the application.

Once I register my daughter for camp, can she be transferred to another camp, if needed?

Unfortunately not. Please make sure you finalize your summer plans before registering for camp, especially knowing when school lets out for the summer break.

What is the difference between completing the Financial Aid Campership Application and the Camp Registration Form?

The Financial Aid Campership Application is to request monetary assistance to pay for camp. The Camp Registration Form provides us with your camper's information, choice of camps and weeks, etc. Both forms are required.

Will my application be turned down if I cannot contribute any money toward my daughter's camp?

No. Some families can make a small contribution which helps to offset the campership.

Can I email the application paperwork to GSGLA?

Emails are not a secure way of transmitting confidential information; however, if you are comfortable in doing so, you are welcome to email your completed applications to registration@girlscoutsla.org. We recommend faxing your completed application to our secure line at 909-608-0129.

If I only have part of the paperwork completed and I am waiting for other information before I can finish, can I submit that paperwork to get the process started?

All applications must be complete before faxing to GSGLA and will be processed on a first-come, first served basis, as they are received Feb. 23–May 11, 2018. Campership availability is limited per camp.



General Camp

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Who owns and operates the camps?

Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles (GSGLA) owns and operates two resident camps in the Greater Los Angeles area: Camp Osito Rancho in Big Bear and Camp Lakota in Frazier Park. GSGLA also operates several unique program sites that host day the specialty camps listed on p. 24-25. While many camps are held at GSGLA-owned facilities, GSGLA has partnerships with non-Girl Scout facilities to host specialty camping opportunities created to best meet the varying interests of girls. GSGLA program staff work directly with these partners when offering a camp experience through our organization.

Do I have to be a Girl Scout to attend camp?

If a camper is not currently a Girl Scout, a one-time \$25 annual membership fee will be applied in addition to your total camp fees. As a member, girls can participate in an array of council-sponsored programs located across Greater Los Angeles during the current program year.

Are there age limits for certain camps?

Yes, all of our camps are geared toward certain age groups. Please check camp descriptions for grade specifications. Listed grades refer to the upcoming school year which is the grade the camper will be attending in the fall.

Is financial aid available?

Yes, financial aid “camperships” are available for campers whose family financial circumstances might otherwise prevent them from attending camp. Interested applicants must submit the Financial Aid Campership Application with their Camp Registration Form, family contribution, and proof of income by May 11, 2018. For more details, see p. 32.

Will my camper need a physical examination to attend camp?

For resident camp, yes. Each camper is required to have a physical examination within 12 months of the starting day of their scheduled camp session. A Health History Form is required for all campers and must be completed no more than two months prior to the camper’s session.

What if my child needs medical or special attention while at camp?

Resident camp has a health supervisor on site, and all camps have first-aid-certified adults on site at all times who administer routine health care and any medications. An emergency contact plan is in place should any medical emergencies occur. Parents are notified as soon as possible in the event of any special medical or emergency situation. If your camper has any special needs (physical, behavioral, etc.), every effort will be made to accommodate her. Please include any past or potential concerns on the Health History Form. The camp director will contact you prior to your daughter’s session.

Can special foods be provided?

Most special dietary needs can be met if camp directors are notified in advance. At resident camp, meal options due to medical, religious, or other reasons are available. Please indicate these requirements on your camper’s Health History Form. Vegetarian alternatives are offered at every meal.

Can my camper be in the same unit as her friend?

While every attempt is made to place girls together, it is not guaranteed. Girls must be the same program level and be registered for the same camp session. See “How to Register” on p. 30.

What are camp staff like?

Camp staff (paid and volunteer) are enthusiastic, fun, caring, energetic, well-trained, and experienced individuals who are hired based on their ability to work with children in a learning and nurturing environment. All staff are required to complete 10–40 hours of training, depending on their respective position.

American Camp Association accreditation for resident camp requires training for all resident camp staff on topics including youth supervision, child development, program planning, conflict resolution, first aid, CPR, and additional certification for specialized program delivery. The resident camp ratio of staff to campers in fourth grade and above is 1:8; and, for second and third grade, it's 1:6 with a ratio of 1:6 for high-adventure programs. The day camp ratio is 1:10 and for aquatic activities, it is 1:8.

What camp health and safety standards are maintained?

All GSGLA camps meet the health and safety standards and guidelines established by Girl Scouts of the USA and the State of California. Copies of the California Health Department's inspections are kept on file at all council offices.



JUST FOR TROOP LEADERS: PROPERTIES OPEN HOUSES & PUZZLE PATCH

Help your girls discover the great outdoors at GSGLA's properties! Visit upcoming properties open houses to meet GSGLA staff, enjoy a tour, and discover awesome amenities right in our council's backyard. Plus, learn how to reserve a property for your meetings and events using Doubleknot, our new and easy online reservation system. Each volunteer will receive an exclusive patch for each open house. Visit all six properties to complete the Open House Puzzle Patch—you can even visit two in one day! (Please note: These free events and patch are intended for adults. No pre-registration required.)



Sunday, March 11

El Ranchito

4040 N. Bellflower Blvd.,
Long Beach
10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Marine Landing

5865 Appian Way, Long Beach
1–3 p.m.

Saturday, March 24

La Casita

150 Pomello Dr., Claremont
10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Johnstone

146 W. Arrow Highway,
San Dimas
1–3 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 22

Montrose

2732 Montrose Ave., Montrose
10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Mariposa

615 E. Mariposa Street, Altadena
1–3 p.m.



PROGRAM Guide








GENERAL INFORMATION

Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles programs February 2018 through September 2018 are listed in this section, as well as ongoing leadership trainings. Registration open and close dates all vary per program. You must register at least two weeks prior to each event. Registration is available through the online events list and calendar unless otherwise noted.

Find details at girlscoutsla.org/events. Check the events list or calendar frequently, as pop-up programs are often added throughout the year. Stay up to date on the latest program information by signing up for GSGLA's various monthly e-newsletters.

For questions or assistance, please call the Customer Care Line, 213-213-0123.

GS LEVEL KEY

-  DAISY
-  BROWNIE
-  JUNIOR
-  CADETTE
-  SENIOR
-  AMBASSADOR
-  FAMILY FRIENDLY

Register at girlscoutsla.org/events



February

REAL BEAUTY C S A

Feb. 17, 10:00 a.m.–1:30 p.m.
Grades 6–12 (\$20 registered girl)
Montrose Program Center

Today's girls have the world of beauty at their fingertips, but amidst the tutorials and “how-tos,” the truth about what makes a girl beautiful can get lost in the shuffle. Led by professional makeup artist and confidence cultivator Allie Lapidus, this workshop is designed to teach girls simple, age-appropriate beauty basics that emphasize the features each girl loves most about herself. Additional topics include skin care; beliefs that influence our self-perception; and embracing one's own authenticity and individuality.

SOLD OUT

See May event (p. 41)

WOW! THAT'S ENGINEERING J C S A

Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m.–3:30 p.m.
Grades 4–12 (\$15 registered girl,
\$20 non-registered girl, \$10 adult)
UCLA

SOLD OUT

UCLA and SWE (Society of Women Engineers) are co-sponsoring an event you won't want to miss. Attend a day of hands-on engineering workshops on the beautiful UCLA campus. Ambassadors and parents are also welcome to attend a separate session just for them, discussing these topics and more: scholarship information, college applications, internships, and what companies look for when hiring. Lunch will be provided for all. Parking is not included.

ENGINEER WEEK— D E J GIRL SCOUTS DAY AT CSUN

Feb. 24, 10:30 a.m.–3 p.m.
Grades K–5 (\$5 registered girl,
\$10 non-registered girl, \$5 adult)
Cal State Northridge

It's never too early to start your STEM journey! The American Society of Civil Engineers Los Angeles Younger Member Forum has invited Girl Scouts to Engineers Week! Start with a campus tour, focusing on the engineering labs, then complete three design challenges to earn the new Think Like an Engineer Journey! Parents and other adults will join the girls on the campus tour and will have a separate informational session to learn how to support girls on their path to college and careers.

HARLEM GLOBETROTTERS GIRL SCOUT FAMILY DAY

C S A FF

Feb. 25, 12:30–4:30 p.m.
Grades K–12 (\$22 for 200 Level Ends, \$38 for Lower Corners)
STAPLES Center

The Globetrotters are back in town and ready to entertain during their only show at the STAPLES Center this year. Come early for a special chalk talk with one of the Globetrotters players. There will also be fun opportunities for groups, troops, and families who purchase 15 or more tickets. Don't miss your chance to see the high-flying antics of the legendary Harlem Globetrotters. Girls will receive a commemorative patch. Family and friends are welcome to attend.



March

JPL WOMEN IN STEM C S A

Saturday in March TBA

Grades 6–12 (\$10 registered girl, \$15 non-registered girl, \$5 adult)

Location TBA

Find out what it takes to forge a career in the field of space technology, and be inspired by female scientists from NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) who will discuss their careers in STEM. Enjoy break-out sessions led by these professional women and participate in hands-on STEM activities. Cost includes a patch and a snack.

JPL EARTH SCIENCE NIGHT J

March 1, 5–9 p.m.

Grades 4–5 (\$8 registered girl, \$15 non-registered girl, \$10 adult)

NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory, Pasadena

Explore the wonders of our planet through the study of earth science. Tour the JPL campus, learn from expert scientists and engineers, and participate in fun and exciting hands-on activities from Eyes on Earth, El Niño, and The Wonders of Seasons.

LA CLIPPERS GIRL SCOUT D B J C S A FF FAMILY DAY

March 4, 1–9 p.m.

Grades K–12 (\$22 for 300 Level, \$44 for 200 Level)

STAPLES Center

Kick off the day with a fun basketball skills clinic for the whole family on the STAPLES Center court. Afterward, check out LA Live and the surrounding area (this is open time for each troop/group). Girls in troops/groups who purchase 15 or more tickets will be eligible to participate in the high-five tunnel when the players come onto the court. For groups who purchase 30 or more tickets, those girls will be eligible to be an anthem buddy and stand in front of one of the players during the National Anthem. Finally, watch the Clippers take on the Brooklyn Nets at 6 p.m. Girls will receive a commemorative Clippers patch.

AVIATION WORKSHOP WITH C S A THE SFV-99S!

March 10, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.

Grades 6–12 (\$15 registered girl, \$20 non-registered girl)

Whiteman Airport, Pacoima

SOLD OUT

Want to learn how a plane flies or how the pilot communicates while flying? Hop in the pilot seat and explore different aircraft. Tour the air traffic control tower and learn about the aviation experience from the amazing female pilots of the San Fernando Valley (SFV) 99s! Price includes a snack and fun patch. Don't miss this unique adventure at the airport!

LA KINGS GIRL SCOUT D B J C S A FF FAMILY DAY

March 10, 11 a.m.–4 p.m.

All Grades (\$45 for 300 Level, \$85 for 200 Level)

STAPLES Center

Join us for the second game this season, as the Kings take on the St. Louis Blues. The afternoon will include a special chalk talk featuring a member of the Kings organization. All groups/troops/families who purchase 15 or more tickets will be eligible for one of three great experiences as well (details TBA). Girls will receive the second in a series of commemorative Kings patches. Family and friends can join. Game time is 1 p.m. Pre-game activities will start two to three hours before the game.)

G.I.R.L.S RULE DAY FEATURING A SPECIAL SCREENING OF A WRINKLE IN TIME

March 11, 10:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Grades 4–12 (\$18 per ticket)

Regal Cinemas at LA Live

Are you a G.I.R.L.? This is your chance to hear from some amazing women who are the ultimate G.I.R.L.s (go-getters, innovators, risk takers, and leaders) in their careers. A panel of empowering women will tell their stories of triumph and success, followed by a brief Q&A session and a special screening of the new Disney movie, *A Wrinkle in Time*. The film tells the story of Meg, her brother, and a classmate who go on an epic, dangerous adventure in search of their missing scientist father. This is a G.I.R.L.-powered day you won't want to miss!

BROWNIE HIKING ADVENTURE!

March 17, 9:30 a.m.–2 p.m.

Grades 2–3 (\$30 per girl)

La Casita, Claremont

Join us on an early spring hike and enjoy this special time in the outdoors. Girls will complete the five steps to earning the Brownie Hiker badge including basic first aid, snack preparation, trail signs, hiking songs, as well as going on a hike! Come prepared: Dress for the weather, wear walking shoes and a hat, and bring a reusable water bottle and sack lunch. Registration fee includes all program supplies and the badge.

SOUTH BAY LAKERS GIRL SCOUT FAMILY DAY

March 17, 4:30–10 p.m.

All Grades (\$27 per person)

UCLA Health Training Center, El Segundo

Girls in grades 6–12 will learn business skills from professionals in the Lakers organization, and shadow them during the game. (Seniors will earn the Business Etiquette badge.) Meanwhile, girls in grades K–5 will participate in a dance clinic with the Laker Girls, and perform at halftime. (Brownies will earn the Dancer badge.) The business clinic is open to the first 30 girls to sign up, and the dance clinic is open to the first 75. Also, attendees can participate in a post-game autograph session with players and take photos with a Lakers Championship trophy. All girls will receive a South Bay Lakers patch.

ANAHEIM DUCKS GIRL SCOUT FAMILY DAY

March 18, 1:30–8 p.m.

All Grades (\$36 Terrace Center, \$29 Terrace Goal)

Honda Center, Anaheim

Who is ready for round two with the Anaheim Ducks? Join our sister Girl Scouts from Orange County as the Ducks take on the New Jersey Devils. Game time is 6 p.m. As always, troops are invited to come starting at 3 p.m. and enjoy the Hockey Spot, featuring street hockey, a bounce house, music, and more! Other pre-game activities will start two to three hours before the game (details TBA). All girls will receive a commemorative Ducks patch. Family and friends are welcome.

FITNESS TO THE MAX

March 24, 10 a.m.–2 p.m.

Grades 6–12 (\$25 per girl)

El Ranchito, Long Beach

Through fitness activities, fun, and games, girls will equip themselves with the information and tools they need to be healthy, fit, and confident leaders. They will also learn how the media and society influence their perceptions of reality. This is a day to celebrate girls and everything they can and will accomplish. Snacks included. Cadettes will earn Eating for Beauty Badge and Seniors will earn the Women's Health Badge.

JUMP INTO JOURNEYS: JUNIOR SCIENTIST!

March 24, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Grades 4–5 (\$5 registered girl, \$10 non-registered girl, \$5 adult)

Marine Landing, Long Beach

Explore the new Girl Scout Journey by learning the scientific method while completing oceanic research! We will take notes in our field journals and gather data to help real-life marine scientists. Girls will earn their Think Like a Citizen Scientist award which they can purchase with the rest of their Journey awards and will be given an informational packet on how to finish the Journey with their troop.

SOLD OUT



April

GATHERING OF ALL MARINERS (GAM) S A

April TBA

Grades 9–12 (price TBD)

Cabrillo Youth Center, San Pedro

Gathering of All Mariners (GAM) is an exciting mariner and water skills competition for Senior and Ambassadors! A long-standing Girl Scout tradition, girls compete in watercraft, swimming, and mariner skills. All girls will receive a copy of the “Gam-O-Gram” to study which will have guides for each event in the competition. This event is for troops only. Troops are welcome to combine into one unit for this event.

STARTUP WEEKEND S A

April 6–8 (Fri., 6–8 p.m.; Sat.–Sun. 9:30 a.m.–6 p.m.)

Grades 9–12 (\$60 registered girl)

Blankspaces, Downtown LA

Do you like to come up with big ideas, invent things, work with others, and learn skills that will help you with high school, college, and a future career? Startup Weekend is for you! Over two and a half days, teams will pitch business ideas, form teams around the top ideas, research customers, and work intensely to build a prototype that demonstrates the potential of their product. The event culminates in a *Shark Tank*-style competition where teams present their businesses and demonstrate their prototypes to a panel of local, high-profile entrepreneurs, venture capitalists, and designers. As you create your company, you'll network with amazing mentors, investors, founders, and sponsors.

THE ENGINEER FACTORY – STEM CAR B J C

April 28, 10 a.m.–12 p.m.

Grades 3–6 (\$25 registered girl, \$30 non-registered girl)

Location TBA

Join The Engineer Factory in building hands-on projects with your fellow Girl Scouts! Build, test, experiment, and solve problems like an engineer and learn about physics. Build your own “air car” and make it move simply using a balloon and propeller. This workshop is a great complement to the Think Like an Engineer Journey.





May

September

CANOES AND CAMPING BY THE SEA! **CADETTE TROOP CAMPING SKILL BUILDER**

May 12, 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Grades 6–8 (\$55 registered girl, \$65 non-registered girl, \$55 adult)

Marine Landing, Long Beach

Cadettes! Looking for help on your Outdoor Journey or just want to step up your camping skills? At Marine Landing, learn everything you need to know for beach camping! Learn canoe survival skills, hiking tips and tricks, and how to build your own shelters. Troops will be given a local beach camping guide to test their skills and complete the Primitive Camper badge. Price includes lunch and two snacks.

REAL BEAUTY

May 12, 10 a.m.–1:30 p.m.

Grades 6–12 (\$20 registered girl)

El Ranchito, Long Beach

Today's girls have the world of beauty at their fingertips, but amidst the tutorials and “how-tos,” the truth about what makes a girl beautiful can get lost in the shuffle. Led by professional makeup artist and confidence cultivator Allie Lapidus, this workshop is designed to teach girls simple, age-appropriate beauty basics that emphasize the features each girl loves most about herself. Additional topics include skin care; beliefs that influence our self-perception; and embracing one’s own authenticity and individuality.

ENGINEER FACTORY – **HYDRAULIC MACHINE**

Sept. 8, 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

Grades 4–8 (\$30 registered girl, \$35 non-registered girl)

Upland Service Center

Join the experts from The Engineer Factory in building hands-on projects with your sister Girl Scouts! Build, test, experiment, and solve problems like an engineer. Design and build a hydraulic draw bridge. Girl Scouts will learn how fluid pressure can be used to move machines using hydraulics, concepts of force and pressure, as well as the basics of bridge construction.

DAISY DAY AT CAMP LAKOTA

Sept. 8, 9:45 a.m.–3 p.m.

Grades K–1 (\$35 registered girl, \$10 adult)

Camp Lakota, Frazier Park

Daisies, join us at beautiful Camp Lakota in Frazier Park! Learn from Cadette Girl Scouts who will teach you about awesome Girl Scout traditions. Plus, have fun doing arts and crafts, singing, exploring, and meeting new friends. Bring a sack lunch and a water bottle, and get ready to experience the great outdoors!

Ongoing Programs

LEADERSHIP & AWARD WORKSHOPS

Hosted by council staff—girls prepare to step out, step up, and speak up!

SILVER AWARD WORKSHOPS

Various dates, locations, and times

Grades 6–8 (\$10 registered girl, \$25 non-registered girl, \$5 adult)

Please consult the online events calendar for the most updated list of workshops.

Join us for a fun and interactive workshop where you will discover what is necessary to create an amazing Silver Award Take Action project. Learn how to identify a community need and how to address that by sharing your skills and passions to make the world a better place. This workshop is not required to achieve your Silver Award; however, it is very useful in learning the steps and how to submit your final report, and in addressing any questions. This workshop is for Cadette Girl Scouts and their leaders. (The Silver Award is a troop leader-approved award program).

PROGRAM AIDE TRAINING

Various dates, locations, and times

Grades 6–12 (\$25 registered girl, \$35 non-registered girl)

Please consult the online events calendar for the most updated list of workshops.

Be a role model and deepen your understanding of leadership development. Program aides guide younger girls to become leaders in their own lives and in the world. The training helps girls gain skills needed to work with younger girls, peers, and adult volunteers. Program aides may put their skills into practice working at council programs, summer programs, and at troop- and service unit-led events. It is strongly recommended that girls complete the Leader in Action award prior to this training.

GOLD AWARD WORKSHOPS

Various dates, locations, and times

Grades 9–12 (\$12 registered girl, \$25 non-registered girl, \$7 adult)

Please consult the online events calendar for the most updated list of workshops.

This workshop is a prerequisite for the Gold Award. Trainers will guide you through an interactive workshop that covers the requirements for a Gold-worthy project, selecting a project, and ensuring measurability and sustainability of your project. The workshop further covers the online Go Gold submittal process, the interview process, and tips for successful project execution. Girls attending the workshop should be within three months of completing their prerequisites and should be planning to submit their Gold Award proposal within the program year (Oct. 1, 2017–Sept. 30, 2018). Leaders, advisors, and parents are encouraged to attend.



DIY PROGRAMS

Easy & convenient—volunteers rent a program kit, complete with an adult facilitator guide.

PA-TO-GO

Grades 6–12 (\$10 per registered girl, \$20 non-registered girl, with 10-girl minimum)

Our new PA-to-Go or Program Aide-To-Go is a “program-in-a-box” that adult volunteers may rent from GSGLA service centers. Complete with an easy-to-follow adult facilitator guide, the box gives a volunteer all the tools she/he needs to deliver program aide training to as few as 10 girls at a time. Program aides are role models for younger Girl Scouts. This training gives them the opportunity to deepen their understanding of what leadership means to them and simultaneously get excited about guiding younger girls to become leaders.

TECHBRIDGE

Grades K–8 (\$10 per registered girl, with 5-girl minimum)

Techbridge is a set of five different “programs-in-a-box” that troops can check out. Bring home STEM activities for your troop! Explore green energy, electronics, engineering, design, or simple machines. Complete a fun puzzle patch when you explore all five boxes. NEW: We are happy to announce that we have made the Leader Guide available for the service unit and/or troop leader at no cost. This will allow service unit managers and troop leaders to assemble kits in order to reach more girls. By creating and stocking your own kits, you will not have to wait for them to become available. For more information, email programs@girlscoutsla.org.

ROBOTICS TEAMS

Join a team and discover the wonders of STEM—while making new friends!

FIRST LEGO LEAGUE JUNIOR – JRFLL

May–July, Registration Period

August–February, Regular Season (Team coaches/mentors determine meeting dates and times)

Grades K–4 (\$100 returning team, \$175 new team)

Teams arrange their own meeting space; GSGLA properties are available for reservation

Explore real-world, scientific challenges that will capture your curiosity. Learn teamwork and understand how robots function. Though you won't build a robot, you will work with motorized LEGO® elements or parts. If you enjoyed earning the new Robotics badges or are interested in learning more about them, try being part of a team. Girl Scouts sponsors a set number of robotics teams each year, so apply early to be considered. Individual girls can also apply to be a part of a robotics team by filling out an individual application. (Please keep in mind, there may not be a robotics team near your area.)

FIRST LEGO LEAGUE – FLL

May–July, Registration Period

August–December, Regular Season (Team coaches/mentors determine meeting dates and times)

Grades 4–8 (\$225 returning team, \$375 new team)

Teams arrange their own meeting space; GSGLA properties are available for reservation

Research a real-world engineering challenge, develop a solution, and compete with LEGO®-based robots of your own design. Participate in tournament-style competitions taking place in November. You may even make it to the championship in December! If you enjoyed earning the new Robotics badges or are interested in learning more about them, try being part of a team. Girl Scouts sponsors a set number of robotics teams each year, so apply early to be considered. Individual girls can also apply to be a part of a robotics team by filling out an individual application. (Please keep in mind, there may not be a robotics team near your area.)

FIRST TECH CHALLENGE – FTC

May–July, Registration Period

August–April, Regular Season (Team coaches/mentors determine meeting dates and times)

Grades 7–12 (\$250 returning team, \$450 new team)

Teams arrange their own meeting space; GSGLA properties are available for reservation

Step up to the challenge of working with a team to design, build, and program a robot to play a floor game against other teams' creations. Compete in tournaments that take place in February through April. Be prepared for a high level of involvement, as FTC requires more attention and commitment. Girl Scouts sponsors a set number of robotics teams each year, so apply early to be considered. Individual girls can also apply to be a part of a robotics team by filling out an individual application. (Please keep in mind, there may not be a robotics team near your area.)



Coming Soon!

- Cadette Field Day, Spring 2018
- GRAMMY Museum Events, Spring 2018
- Video Game Developer, Spring 2018
- LA Galaxy Night #1, Spring 2018
- LA Dodger Night, June 10
- LA Sparks Night, Summer 2018

Adult Trainings

LIVE TRAINING WEBINARS SCHEDULE

Visit the events list and calendar at www.girlscoutsla.org for details and to register for the following live webinars. Search under the blue “Adult Training” category. Dates listed are subject to change.

FEBRUARY

2/5 Monday | **International Troop Travel**
2/7 Wednesday | **Daisy Grade Level**
2/15 Thursday | **Indoor Overnight**
2/20 Tuesday | **Domestic Troop Travel**
2/21 Wednesday | **Basic Leader Training (BLT)**
2/27 Tuesday | **Special Events & Money Earning**

MARCH

3/5 Monday | **Domestic Troop Travel**
3/14 Wednesday | **Brownie Grade Level**
3/19 Monday | **Indoor Overnight**
3/22 Thursday | **Cadette Grade Level**
3/28 Wednesday | **Junior Grade Level**

APRIL

4/2 Monday | **International Troop Travel**
4/12 Thursday | **Indoor Overnight**
4/17 Tuesday | **Domestic Troop Travel**
4/19 Thursday | **Basic Leader Training (BLT)**
4/25 Wednesday | **Senior/Ambassador Grade Level**

MAY

5/3 Thursday | **Special Events & Money Earning**
5/7 Monday | **Junior Grade Level**
5/9 Wednesday | **Indoor Overnight**
5/15 Tuesday | **International Troop Travel**
5/17 Thursday | **Brownie Grade Level**
5/21 Monday | **Basic Leader Training (BLT)**
5/30 Wednesday | **Cadette Grade Level**

JUNE

6/4 Monday | **Domestic Troop Travel**
6/12 Tuesday | **Indoor Overnight**

GSGLA TRAINING WEBSITE—DO IT YOURSELF ONLINE

In addition, to live webinars or face-to-face trainings, volunteers have the option to take part in online trainings via our online training website at www.GSGLAOnlineTraining.org. Find training and resources based on your volunteer role—e.g., Daisy troop leader, troop treasurer, service unit manager, etc. You are also able to track the trainings you have completed and earn virtual badges. Learn about Girl Scouting at every level, in your home or on the go!

Be sure to visit and check out our new look and some new features! We’ve added a calendar with upcoming training dates, and direct links to VTK and other resources. New look, same great Online Training.



CAMPING SKILLS TRAINING SCHEDULE

Visit the event calendar at www.girlscoutsla.org for details and to register for the following in-person camping skills trainings. Search under the blue “Adult Training” category. *Dates listed are subject to change and additional dates will be added shortly.*

MARCH

3/10–3/11 Saturday–Sunday | **Indoor Overnight & Camping Skills @ La Casita, Claremont**

3/10 Saturday | **Camping Skills @ Anderson Scout House, Redondo Beach**

3/17–3/18 Saturday–Sunday | **Indoor Overnight & Camping Skills @ Camp Mariposa, Altadena**

APRIL

4/7–4/8 Saturday–Sunday | **Indoor Overnight & Camping Skills @ La Casita, Claremont**

4/21 Saturday | **Camping Skills @ Camp Lakota, Frazier Park**

4/29 Sunday | **Camping Skills @ Anderson Scout House, Redondo Beach**

FIRST TIME OUT 2018—SHOW US YOUR CAMPING SKILLS!

Bring your troop to practice your outdoor skills or work on the new outdoor camping badges all while having experienced outdoor adult educators on hand to help you when you need it. This is a troop event for Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Grade Levels. Indoor Overnight Training, Camping Skills Training, and providing a First Aider is required.

5/5–5/6 Saturday–Sunday @ **Camp Lakota, Frazier Park**

LEADER SKILL BUILDERS

Visit the adult education calendar at girlscoutsla.org for details and to register for in-person Leader Skill Builders, which take place at each service center November through June on the first Saturday of every other month (except Santa Clarita, which takes place on the second Saturday). At these workshops, a volunteer mentor leads a specific focus and answers questions about troop leadership.



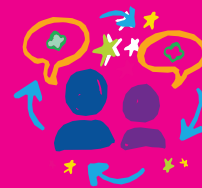
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CHAT**

LET'S CHAT WEBINARS

Let's Chat Webinars are going on now and are available every other month. The Let's Chat webinars are led by a volunteer mentor and a support staff member. The interactive webinars cover important troop topics such as troop finances, leading a troop, Girl Scout celebrations and ceremonies, and more! For more information, contact support@girlscoutsla.org.



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Stories from GSGLA's Girl Advisory Bureau (GAB)

TALKIN' CAMP WITH GIRL SCOUTS

Is it your first time headed to Girl Scout summer camp? Or, maybe you're venturing on your own without your troop to join one of the awesome Girl Scout clubs or teams we have in Greater LA—robotics, color guard, travel club, or even hiking club? Don't worry—it's natural to feel shy or anxious when trying new things. Luckily, your sister Girl Scouts have plenty of advice for stepping out of your comfort zone with confidence. Check it out!

WHAT ARE YOUR TOP 3 TIPS FOR FIRST-TIME OVERNIGHT CAMPERS?

1. Don't panic!

It is absolutely, positively, certainly OK to miss your family and friends when you go away. But guess what? You'll get to meet new friends, and some of your troop members might be there, too.

2. Be respectful.

If you ruin someone else's fun time, you will ruin it for yourself, too. Try to be as kind to the other campers and counselors as possible. Help by throwing away trash after meals and activities, and telling a joke to someone who seems sad.

3. HAVE FUN!

There is probably 0% chance that you will have no fun at all. If you are feeling blue, just smile, join in some activities, and you'll feel better! Have fun camping!

-Charlotte H., Junior

1. Always be open to making new friends.

Going away to overnight camp can be scary but having some good friends can make your week so much more enjoyable. I have made so many close friends at camp and have seen how the bonds made at camp are relationships that can't be created anywhere else.

2. Always keep track of your belongings and stay organized while at camp.

Keeping track of your things can make the difference between a good or a bad week; especially on the last day when it comes time to pack.

3. Allow yourself to have fun by taking risks.

One week at camp can go by so quickly, so remember to try that one thing that you never would have even thought of doing. I cherish my time at Girl Scout overnight camp more than anything and wouldn't trade my experiences there for a million Girl Scout Cookies!

-Quinntyn V., Senior

Snakes. Homesickness. Bears. Cold nights. These are all things I was terrified of when I first went to an overnight camp, and I had no idea what to do. Thankfully for you, I am here to give you some tips on surviving the snorer in your tent, and how to conquer homesickness.

1. Be positive.

Camp is only what you make of it, so if you think that it is horrible, it will be horrible! Besides, no girl wants to be friends with the hunched over, scowling, unfriendly girl in the corner. Put on a brave smile and find some girls who might be nervous too! When I first came to camp, I had to come out of my shell to talk to the other girls. I ended up meeting three new girls which I became instant friends with, and we had a blast together!

2. Try these tips if you sleep near the infamous snorer:

Try turning over away from the noise in your sleeping bag, or wrapping your pillow around your ears. It might help to also scooch down in your bag so it covers your head. It personally always works for me when I put my pillow over my head, so you might want to try that!

3. Bring a stuffed animal or blanket to help with homesickness.

I also think of what my parents would want me to do right now, and I know that they would want me to be having fun!

-Evelyn B., Cadette



WHAT DID YOU LEARN AT GIRL SCOUT CAMP?

I've exercised all of my G.I.R.L. (go-getter, innovator, risk taker, leader) skills at Girl Scout summer camp! As a program aide, I've led a group of Brownies and Daisies with some of my sister Girl Scouts. I love leading games, songs, and helping girls with crafts. I also had a chance to be an innovator when our group had a lot of extra time after an activity. My sister program aides and I put our heads together and decided to start a game. By the end, the whole camp was involved and later our girls were starting games on their own! My favorite part of being a summer camp program aide has been the relationships I create with the other girls of all ages. Being a leader is fun!

-Skylar H., Senior

At Girl Scout camp I learned:

- **How to be outgoing.**
Tip: Start talking to other girls by telling them your best knock-knock joke, your favorite color, or even just start by saying your name.
- **A LOT of songs.**
From the "Three Bears" song to "Desperado," I loved sharing them with my troop back home.
- **How to ride a horse.**
My horse's name was Mouse, and we became fast friends. We rode on a trail, which I had never done before.
- **How to do archery!**
At my camp, we got wooden necklaces for every time that we hit a bullseye. I was so proud of getting one of those necklaces—it's still hanging in my room!
- **How to be a G.I.R.L. (go-getter, innovator, risk taker, leader).**
Whether it was on the scary high ropes course, canoeing in the lake, planning a fun Friday theme, or just being a Girl Scout, I learned how to go for my goals, step outside of my comfort zone, think of new ideas, and not only be a leader, but be a friend.

-Nicole A., Senior



What's it like joining a Girl Scout activity without your troop?

Outside of my troop, I have participated in robotics as a part of GSGLA First Lego League (FLL Jr). The robotics team is called Broadway Dolphins. Through robotics I have learned a lot about coding, designing, building, programming, and testing Legos that develop a solution to a problem.

I think other girls should join robotics because they get to participate in coding and building Legos. Also, we got funded to go to Legoland to do a presentation on how we solve problems related to the team topic of water (it's called "Aqua Adventures.")

Through robotics, I get to meet new Girl Scouts and learn a lot. My teammate Jasmine's dad showed us how to connect a motor to the iPad. It is important to be able to share ideas with one another. Building friendships with other Girl Scouts makes a better team.



My overall experience as an individual Girl Scout has been an amazing journey. It makes me feel that I am a part of a big Girl Scout family. With my robotics experience, I feel that I also got connected to a world-wide network of Roboteers. My team was recently featured in a FLL Jr Newsletter, which gets sent to over 20 countries! I could not believe that more than 40,000 children get to learn about Broadway Dolphins!

-Hana C., Brownie

I did a Girl Scout robotics club outside of my troop. It was fun to meet other people. At first I was a little nervous, because I had never been on a robotics team before, plus I wasn't sure if I was going to know anyone there.

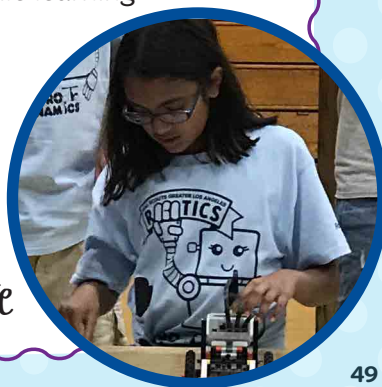
At the pre-meeting, I found that I already knew two of the girls there! The coaches explained how the team was going to work, and I was really excited. At the first real meeting, I met many new people and found out I had a lot in common with the other girls.

Joining a robotics team as an individual Girl Scout was very different than joining with my troop, because when you join something with your troop, you already know everyone. When you join alone you have no idea if you are going to know anyone.

Other girls should join this robotics team because, you get to meet new people, while learning about programming, robots, and the FLL (First Lego League) core values. Also, after you finish programming the robot and enter the competition, you get a sense of accomplishment because you got so far.

It is rewarding to meet people outside of your troop, because more people means more friends—some might even become lifelong. All in all, doing something as an individual Girl Scout is fun, rewarding, and a new experience.

-Kiana P., Cadette



The Volunteer Toolkit: Your Digital Troop Assistant!

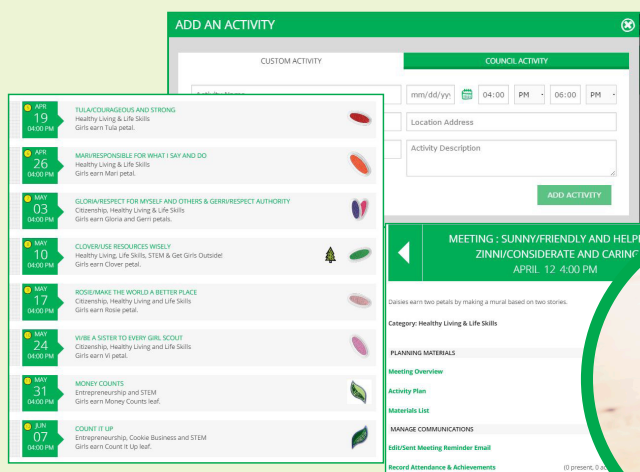
The free Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) gives troop leaders program content and other resources to manage your troop planning all year long—and keep it going smoothly!

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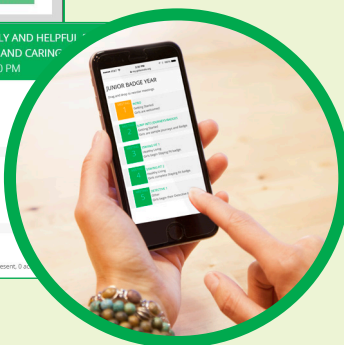
- Access Journey and petal and badge troop meeting plans
- See step-by-step activity guides for each troop meeting
- View and edit your troop roster
- Manage renewals for both girls and adults
- Email parents with a single click
- Share troop meeting activities with parents
- Record troop finances and girls' meeting attendance
- Log girls' petal/badge and Journey achievements
- Add events and your own troop activities

WOW!

The Volunteer Toolkit offers multi-level troop access—and all-new program content for STEM and Outdoors, plus Welcome to the Daisy Flower Garden!



Fully customizable,
the Volunteer
Toolkit is digitally
responsive so
you can plan and
prepare practically
anywhere.



What troop leaders are saying:

"I like that there are **meeting plans and schedules to follow**. I also like being able to **keep track of the patches my girls earn**. The **'my troop'** feature that allows me to **email all of the parents at once is great, too—I use that a lot.**"

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE VOLUNTEER TOOLKIT?
SIGN IN AT WWW.GIRLSCOUTSLA.ORG, CLICK "MY GS" AND CHECK IT OUT!

The Volunteer Toolkit contains program and meeting plans for K-5 (Daisy, Brownie, Junior and K-5 multi-level). Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador troops have access to features including the troop roster, troop finances, national resources, and all K-5 program content (if needed for working with younger troops).

Celebrate Girl Scout Week 2018

Girl Scout Week is celebrated each March. It starts with the Girl Scout Anniversary on March 12, which commemorates the day in 1912 when Juliette Gordon Low officially registered the organization's first 18 girl members in Savannah, Georgia. This year, 2018, represents our 106th birthday! And, it also always includes Girl Scout Sabbath and Girl Scout Sunday—where girls can choose to attend their place of worship and be recognized as Girl Scouts.

12 MONDAY

Girl Scout Anniversary

Learn about G.I.R.L.s in Girl Scout history who've changed the world.



14 WEDNESDAY

Health & Safety Day

Be a go-getter and make sure your troop's first aid kit is complete.



16 FRIDAY

Arts & Culture Day

Work on an art project that reflects what being a G.I.R.L. means to you.



11 SUNDAY

Girl Scout Sunday

Take part in a religious service, wear your Girl Scout uniform.



13 TUESDAY

Service to Community

Do a service or Take Action project as part of your G.I.R.L. Agenda.



15 THURSDAY

G.I.R.L. Power Day

Show your Girl Scout pride by wearing your uniform (or GS gear) to school. Tag @GirlScoutsLA in your selfie!



17 SATURDAY

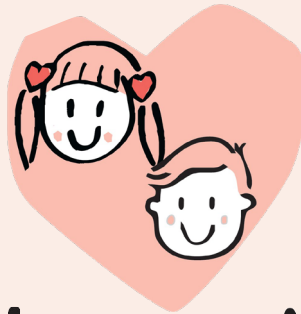
Girl Scout Sabbath

Take part in a religious service, wear your Girl Scout uniform.



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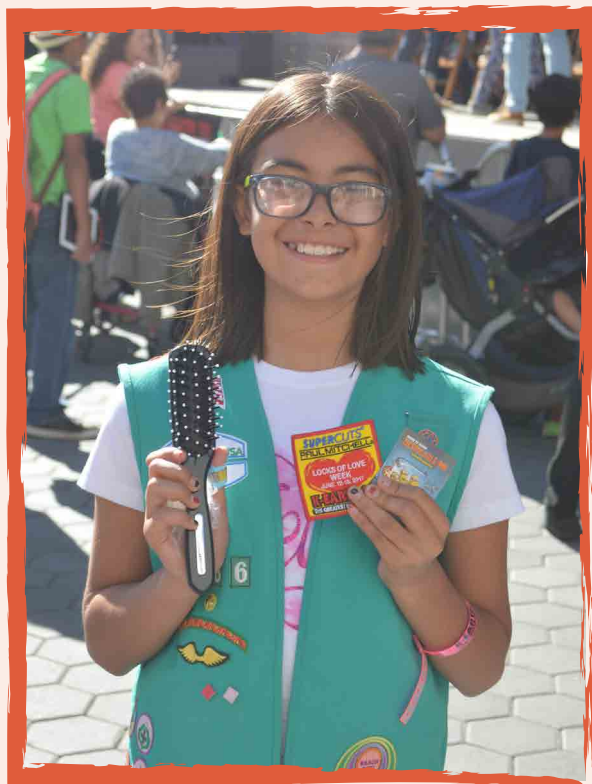
We want to see what you are doing each day of Girl Scout Week! Remember to tag us on Instagram or Twitter (@girlscoutsla), and we could feature you on social media!



Locks of Love Week

June 11-17, 2018

Check our website for details on how you can participate with GSGLA!



Did you know?

A gift to GSGLA makes the camp experience possible for girls in need of financial assistance.

Help give another girl a summer to remember.

Visit girlscoutsla.org/donate to learn more about giving.



A decorative graphic featuring a yellow donut with brown stripes and a brown chocolate cookie with white stars, positioned above the word "me!" in a playful, colorful font.



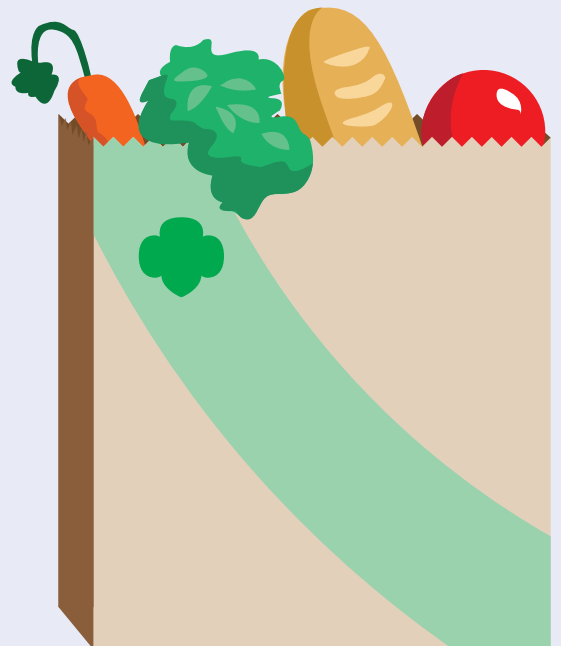
Build brand awareness & boost your sales! Find these items in GSGLA stores NOW!

Feed your Neighbor

Food Drive & Service Month

Discover connect, and take action to fight hunger in your community through this council-wide event!

April 2018



READY FOR CAMP?

- ✓ Backpack
- ✓ ID lunch bag
- ✓ Disposable camera
- ✓ Head-wrap
- ✓ Mess kits
- ✓ Other camp goodies!

***Get all your camp gear at our
GSGLA stores!***



Celebrate National Volunteer Month!

This April 2018, we're celebrating all of our Girl Scout volunteers for their dedication and commitment to unleashing the G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)™ in every girl. Without them, we couldn't and wouldn't be the largest girls' leadership organization in the world.



***Get new charm bracelets and
our special Girl Scout scarf
exclusively at GSGLA stores!***



***Show appreciation to your leaders and troop volunteers with special
“Thank-you” gifts available in our GSGLA stores and many
more at our mobile store at AMVR on April 14, 2018.***



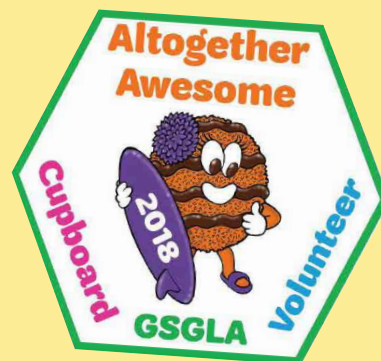
Attention Parents & Friends!

Have fun, get exercise, and make new friends!
Volunteer at a Girl Scout cookie cupboard near you.

Feb. 1–March 10

Cookie cupboards are where troop leaders pick up cases of cookie orders to be distributed to the girls in their troops. Girl Scout Cookie proceeds fund local troop activities and leadership programs, like STEM activities, camp, field trips, and important community service projects.

Cupboard locations: Arcadia, Covina, Downey, Long Beach, Marina del Rey, Upland, Torrance, Woodland Hills, Glendale, or Santa Clarita.



Volunteer for one day, a few hours, or multiple days and earn a special patch!

Sign up now! girlscoutsla.org/cookiecupboard

LET'S BE SOCIAL!



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Follow us on social media to stay connected!



GIRL SCOUT FAMILY DAY AT DODGER STADIUM

Bring your troop, family, and friends to
Dodger Stadium for our annual Girl Scout Family Day.

**SUNDAY,
JUNE 10**
1:10 PM

A vs LA



Tickets will be on sale soon!

This special event ticket package* includes:
ticket to the game, a commemorative patch,
participation in a pregame parade around the field.

DODGERS.COM/GIRLSOUTS



This special event ticket package must be purchased from DODGERS.COM/GIRLSOUTS to obtain item. The first 12,000 ticketed kids 14 & under in attendance will receive a Jr. Dodgers Player Wristband.



Creative Meetings and Badge Earning Opportunities at AS YOU WISH POTTERY



Whether you're working on a badge or looking for a fun and creative meeting space As You Wish is a great place to host your troop's artistic adventure! We have great rates for Scouts and are happy to work with you in planning your meeting or event.

VALENCIA

24201 Valencia Blvd #3412
Located in the Valencia Town Center
Valencia, CA 91355
661-255-1177

PALMDALE

1233 Rancho Vista Blvd
Palmdale, CA 93551 #249
Located in the Antelope Valley Mall
661-224-2000



ASYOUWISHPOTTERY.COM

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Contact ads@girlscoutsla.org to learn how!



SAVE THE DATE

2018

annual meeting & volunteer recognition ceremony

April 14, 2018

PACIFIC PALMS HOTEL & CONFERENCE CENTER

- Hear the latest council news!
- Vote on important council issues!
- Honor outstanding GSGLA volunteers!

BELIEVE IN THE POWER OF G.I.R.L.

You are so much more than a volunteer. You're a G.I.R.L. (Go-getter, Innovator, Risk-taker, Leader)TM powerhouse. And it takes a G.I.R.L. just like you to inspire her to dig deep and find her own G.I.R.L. spirit to accomplish amazing things. Because she needs a place designed specifically to unleash her greatest potential. She needs your drive, your passion, and your guidance. She needs Girl Scouts. She needs you.

Renew today at girlscoutsla.org!



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Service Centers

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Arcadia, CA 91006

Long Beach

4040 North Bellflower Boulevard
Long Beach, CA 90808

Marina Del Rey

4551 Glencoe Avenue, Suite 140
Marina del Rey, CA 90292

Palmdale

41307 12th Street West, Suite 105
Palmdale, CA 93551

Santa Clarita

21515 Soledad Canyon Road, Suite 116
Santa Clarita, CA 91350

Upland

313 East Foothill Blvd.
Upland, CA 91786

Woodland Hills

20931 Burbank Boulevard, Suite A
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Headquarters

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