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# LA CASITA

**RESOURCE  
GUIDE**

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LA CASITA | 150 E. Pomello Drive, Claremont, CA 91711

# WELCOME TO LA CASITA!

Thank you for choosing La Casita! We hope you have a wonderful time here. This resource guide contains some tips, tricks, and general knowledge. Whether you are looking for space to meet and complete badge work, or for an overnight camping experience, La Casita is perfect for making new memories with your troop.

La Casita is a hidden gem located on two acres in the foothills of North Claremont, adjacent to Angeles Crest. Just minutes from downtown Claremont, La Casita allows you to “get away” without traveling too far. The program center, a historical Spanish-style adobe, provides meeting space for troops and indoor activities. The site lends itself perfectly to an array of outdoor activities, camping under the stars, and hiking the local trails. Girls and troops can experience the challenge of the high ropes course and archery range during council-sponsored adventure days. Additionally, La Casita operates two weeks of summer day camp and is open to girls K-12 seeking adventure!

La Casita has space for approximately 8 cars to park. Street parking requires a free permit that must be applied for in advance at the Claremont Police Department at 909-399-5411.

La Casita has such a rustic atmosphere that it can feel like it is located far into the wilderness, but please remember to be aware of our nearby neighbors. Guests must observe outdoor quiet hours between 8pm and 7am on weekdays, and 10pm and 8am on weekends.

La Casita also enjoys plenty of direct sun during the day, so please make sure Girl Scouts are drinking enough water and reapplying sunscreen throughout their stay.

Have a Girl Scout adventure and thank you for visiting La Casita!

Yours in Scouting,  
*GSGLA Council*



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# AMENITIES

<p><b>Adobe House</b></p>	<p>Includes a full kitchen, four burner stove, oven, refrigerator, microwave, some pots/pans, plates, cups, knives, and cutting boards. Access to a bathroom with two toilets with 1 ADA stall. A projection screen and a working fireplace. 8 tables, 30 chairs.</p> <p>Capacity: 40 day use, 20 overnight</p>
<p><b>Covered Patio</b></p>	<p>Covered patio located directly outside of Adobe house. 1 picnic table accommodates up to 14 girls.</p>
<p><b>Campfire Ring</b></p>	<p>One campfire ring located on the lower campground.</p>
<p><b>Outdoor Shelter</b></p>	<p>Covered shelter with 4 picnic tables.</p>
<p><b>Flag Poles</b></p>	<p>Two outside flagpoles-one located on the lower campground next to the campfire ring, and one located outside of the adobe house.</p>



# MAP



# FLAG CEREMONY

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### OPENING CEREMONY:

***“Girl Scouts, attention”***

Everyone present should stand silently at attention, and remove any hats or head coverings (including bandanas).

***“Color guard, attention”***

The Color Guard stands at attention and prepares to advance

***“Color guard, advance”***

Guards come forward, stand in front of flag pole

***“Color guard, post the colors”***

The Flag Bearer attaches the top clip, unfolds the flag and then attaches the second clip. The flag is raised briskly to the top of the pole. The rope is secured and the guard steps back into place.

***“Girl Scouts, please join me in saying the Pledge of Allegiance”***

The caller and audience salute the flag and recite the pledge of allegiance. Color Guard is silent.

***“Please join me in saying the Girl Scout promise”***

***“Color guard, dismissed”***

***“Girl Scouts, dismissed”***

### FOR A CLOSING CEREMONY:

***“Girl Scouts, attention”***

***“Color guard, attention”***

***“Color guard, advance”***

***“Color guard, retire the colors”***

***“Color guard retire the colors”***

The flag is brought down slowly and folded properly (see image)

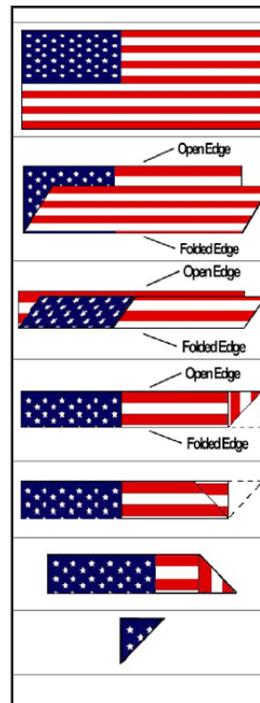
***“Girl Scouts, please join me in the singing of Taps”***

***“Color guard, dismissed”***

***“Girl Scouts, dismissed”***

### TAPS

Day is done, gone the sun, from the lake,  
from the hill, from the sky...  
All is well, safely rest, God is nigh



# SWAPS

## SWAPS

SWAPS, the tradition of Girl Scouts exchanging keepsakes, started long ago when Girl Scouts and Girl Guides first gathered for fun, songs, and making new friends. SWAPS stands for “Special Whatchamacallit’s Affectionately Pinned Somewhere.” Making SWAPS is a great group project during downtime at a campout or at the end of meetings. Below are a few examples of easy SWAPS that are representative of Marine Landing. You can also let the girls be creative and make something representative of their troop. Many troops choose to include small tags with their troop information and council name.

### SWAPS Safety and Etiquette

#### GIRLS SHOULD:

- Never refuse to swap with another person.
- Swap face-to-face, especially if exchanging addresses or email information.
- Avoid using glass or sharp objects in SWAPS.
- Follow all *Safety Activity Checkpoints* guidelines.
- Avoid using food products, unless they are individually wrapped.



### Sleeping Bag Swap

**SUPPLIES** | felt, yarn, tag, safety pins

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Cut a strip of felt and roll it up like a sleeping bag.
2. Tie yarn onto each end.
3. Safety pin and add tag.

### Beach in a Bag Swap

**SUPPLIES** | 2 mini wooden spools, 1 pony bead, 1 safety pin, 2 wiggle eyes, plastic lace

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Paint two mini wooden spools. Let dry. Use a black marker to color the ends and edges of the spool black.
2. Glue a pony bead between the spools. Glue wiggle eyes to one end and a pony bead to each of the other ends.
3. Cut a 5 inch piece of plastic lace and string it through a safety pin. Glue ends to the sides of the binoculars. Add a pin.



# CRAFT & ACTIVITY IDEAS

Lanyards and friendship bracelets are a camp craft staple and easy to learn. Few materials are required besides the string. The internet is full of tutorials on how to make lanyards and friendship bracelets, as well as books with picture guides.

## Lanyards:

- It is easier to work with the lanyard string if it is warmed up by hands first and ends are cut at an angle.
- The designs can be made into bracelets, key chains, zipper-pulls, etc.
- Hooks and lanyard string can be found at arts and crafts stores.
- Lanyards can begin and end with overhand knots.
- Lanyards can be melted at the ends, but this requires much practice and can turn the plastic black.



## Friendship Bracelets:

- Bracelets can be made with yarn, string, or cording. However, most are made with embroidery thread found at sewing or craft stores.
- Generally speaking a string strand can be cut about the length of the chin to the hand on an adult. Looped threads are twice the length of single strands.
- It is best to braid both ends before starting the bracelet or leave extra on both ends for tying the bracelet when finished.
- Highly contrasting colors highlight patterns best.
- The end can be secured while making the bracelet with a safety pin or tape.
- Most bracelets begin or end with an overhand knot.
- It is best to secure the bracelets on the wrist with a square knot.



# CRAFT & ACTIVITY IDEAS

## Birdfeeder

**SUPPLIES** | 3/4 cup birdseed, 1/4 cup water, 1 small envelope of gelatin, twine or string, cookie cutters or molds or mason jar lids, wax paper

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Mix together the envelope of gelatin with 1/4 cup of water and bring to a simmer. Continue stirring until the gelatin is dissolved. Remove from heat and let cool for a minute.
2. Stir in the 3/4 cup birdseed, adding slightly more if there is liquid still in the bottom of the pan.
3. Lay cookie cutters out on wax paper and fill half way with the birdseed mixture.
4. Cut twine and knot the end and push the knot into birdseed.
5. Continue filling with birdseed, covering the end of the twine and knot. Push the birdseed evenly into the cookie cutter until it is full.
6. Allow them to dry overnight. Remove from the cookie cutters and hang in trees at home.

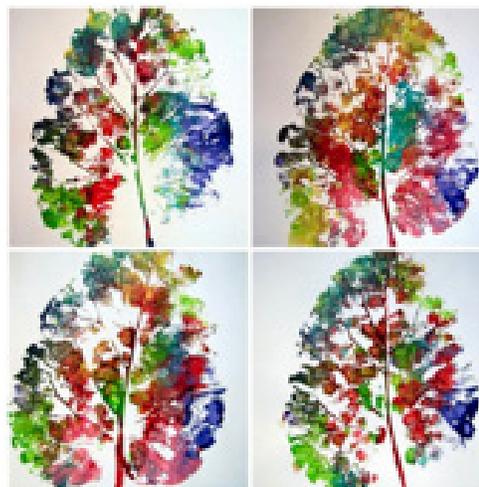


## Leaf Art

**SUPPLIES** | large leaves, various colors of acrylic paints, paint brush, white construction paper

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Paint leaf with desired colors.
2. Transfer the leaf onto the paper. Press down on leaf and make sure to press all the way to the corners.
3. Carefully lift the leaf off the paper and allow paint to dry.



# OUTDOOR COOKING

Our fire ring is a great place to practice outdoor cooking before your next big camp out!

## DUTCH OVEN COOKING

Dutch ovens are great for cooking at a fire ring. They can be used for baking, stews, roasting various meats, one pot cooking, and desserts. Set the oven on hot coals, and place coals on top of the lid. The temperature can be controlled by adding or subtracting coals, but will probably take fewer coals than you think.

### Camp Chili

**SUPPLIES** | 2 lb. ground hamburger meat, 2 onions diced, 2 large cans of kidney or red beans or a combination of both, 2 cans cream of tomato soup undiluted or 2 cans diced tomatoes, 4 tsp. chili powder, 2 tsp. garlic powder or two cloves of minced garlic, pepper to taste, grated cheddar cheese (optional)

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Brown meat and onions in dutch oven.
2. Drain off excess fat.
3. Add beans, tomatoes or soup, chili powder, garlic and pepper.
4. Simmer together for about 20-30 minutes to one hour.
5. Top with cheese. Serves 12.



### Camp Skillet Cornbread

**SUPPLIES** | 1 cup cornmeal, ½ cup flour, 1 tablespoon baking powder, 2 teaspoons salt, 1 cup milk, 1 egg, 2 tablespoons honey, ½ tablespoon oil

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. In large bowl, mix cornmeal, flour, baking powder, and salt to combine. Add milk, egg, and honey to the dry ingredients. Mix with a fork until fully incorporated.
2. Over the campfire, heat the oil in a cast iron skillet. Swirl to coat the bottom of the pan with oil.
3. Pour the batter into the skillet and cover with foil, crimping the foil around the edges.
4. Cook over medium-low heat for 15 minutes, then move off the heat and let the bread rest (still covered) for an additional 5 minutes.

# OUTDOOR COOKING

## Camp Stove Chilaquiles

**SUPPLIES** | ½ cup vegetable oil, 6 corn tortillas, cut into wedges, ½ red onion, 2 cloves garlic minced, 1 (8oz) can enchilada sauce, ½ teaspoon salt, 2-4 eggs, toppings (cilantro, avocado, diced red onion, cheese, lime)

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Heat skillet until oil is hot. Add tortilla triangles in a single layer and fry for a few minutes until golden brown, flipping once. Remove and set aside on a paper towel to drain. Repeat with the rest of the tortillas.
2. Add red onions to the remaining oil and sauté for a few minutes until softened. Add garlic and sauté for 30 seconds and then add enchilada sauce, salt, and a splash of water to the skillet. Simmer and add fried tortillas. Stir to coat.
3. Move tortillas to the outside edges of the skillet to create a well in the center. Drop the eggs into the sauce and cook as desired. Serve with toppings of choice.



## Dump Cake

**SUPPLIES** | 2 large cans of any kind of fruit with juice OR 2 cans of any kind of fruit pie filling OR 6 cups cut up fresh or frozen fruit, 1 box of white or yellow cake mix, 1 stick of butter or margarine, whipped cream or Cool Whip (optional)

### INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Line Dutch oven with foil. Pour fruit (and juices) into oven.
2. Top with dry cake mix and spread evenly.
3. Dot with butter or margarine. Bake 25 minutes with 12 coals on top and 8 on bottom. Serve with whipped topping. Serves 12. Suitable for box oven.

### VARIATIONS

- Peach Dump Cake: use 1 (size 2) can sliced peaches with juice.
- Apple+ Dump Cake: use 1 can apple pie filling and 1 can “your choice” pie filling.

# SUGGESTED BADGE WORK

While La Casita is versatile, there are a few badges that work extremely well at the property due to its unique location and amenities. Contact information for the sites mentioned can be found in the “Things to do Around La Casita” section.

## **First Aid Badge (Brownie, Junior, Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador)**

We are lucky enough to have a very friendly Fire Station a few blocks down. They are often willing to come by and talk to the girls about fire safety, first aid, and being a first responder. The fire department prefers three weeks’ notice when asking for a speaker. The outdoor space is also great for learning about wilderness first aid in a controlled environment. With Claremont Hills Wilderness Park hiking trails close by, the group can take a hike to test first aid preparedness.

## **Daisy Buddy Camper, Brownie Cabin Camper, Junior Eco-Camper, and Cadette Night Owl**

La Casita is a great place for a multi-level first night out event! There is plenty of space to set up tents, practice outdoor cooking, and do team building activities. There is also the convenience of having a refrigerator and stove on site, just in case! Campers can go out for a hike at Claremont Hills Wilderness Canyon before settling in for stargazing later at night. Girls can practice their Leave No Trace principles and relieve any first time camp out nerves.

## **Daisy Flower Garden, Brownie Bugs, Junior Flowers, and Cadette Trees and Citizen Scientist Journey (Daisy, Brownie, and Junior)**

La Casita is the ideal place to complete any outdoor badges, but especially those listed above. The enclosed space makes it easy to allow girls to roam around and explore. In addition to having a variety of bugs, plants, and trees on site, La Casita is also close to the Claremont Hills Wilderness Canyon and the Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden. The Claremont Hills Wilderness Canyon is located 1/2 mile from La Casita. The Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden is also a great resource for these badges.

## **Daisy Mari Petal, Brownie Snacks, Junior Simple Meals, Cadette New Cuisines, Senior Locavore, and Ambassador Dinner Party**

La Casita offers a full kitchen with an oven, stove, refrigerator, freezer, and a few pots, pans, and cooking utensils. It is a great space to experiment and try recipes.



# ICE BREAKERS

Going to La Casita with your troop or group is the perfect opportunity to really get to know each other better, or make new friends. It's a time to get out of your comfort zone and learn how you can become a better team. Here are some ideas for ice-breakers and activities that will help you operate more as a team, learn each other's strengths and grow in communication and leadership:

## **Group Juggle into Warp Speed**

**Group Juggle** – the ball/object gets thrown from one person to another so that each person gets it once and it ends up back with the person who began. Say the name of the person you are throwing it to before you throw it and thank the person by name that you received it from.

**Warp Speed** – using the order of people from the group juggle, find a method to go faster. The only rule is that everyone must touch the ball/object in the original order.

## **Adjective with First Letter of Name**

Everybody introduces themselves with a descriptive adjective starting with the same letter as their name (e.g. Charismatic Carolyn, Sparkling Susan, Egalitarian Elizabeth, Vivacious Vicky, Bouncing Bob, Friendly Fred, etc.)

## **10 Fingers**

Have everyone sit in a circle close enough to be able to hear each other. Ask everyone to hold up all 10 fingers. A grown-up can start off by stating one fact about themselves. For example: "I have never been to Florida" or "I have blue eyes." Then the participants who have been to Florida, or do not have blue eyes, will put one finger down. This will continue around the circle, having each person share one fact about themselves until someone is all out of fingers. Whoever has the most fingers left at the end wins!

## **Face to Face**

Ask the group randomly pair up. Once introductions between partners are made, give the group a topic to discuss with their partner for 30 seconds. At the end of the time, ask the group to switch partners and call out a new topic. Try to choose topics that are both fun and insightful. Examples include, "if you could have lunch with anyone from the entertainment world, who would it be?" or "if you could be granted one wish, what would it be?"



# GROUP & TEAM BUILDING GAMES

## **DEFEND THE EGG**

Pass out one egg and a limited supply of materials (e.g. four straws, a three foot strip of Scotch Tape, one section of a newspaper, etc.) to groups of 4-5 girls. The mission is to protect the egg from cracking using teamwork, creativity, and a good design. Each group will drop their structure at least ten feet, with the goal of having each structure be able to withstand the fall. Repeat and increase drop by 5 feet until only one group's structure remains.

## **HUMAN KNOT**

Group stands in a circle, everyone puts hands into center and grabs someone else's hand. Try to get out of the knot without letting go of hands. (Note: one person can't hold both hands of someone else).

## **RIGHT HAND PERSON**

Everyone decides who their right hand person is (without telling) and who their left hand person is (also without telling). Each girl must keep her right hand person to her right and her left hand person to her left while moving about the group.

## **MOONBALL**

Use a moon ball – how many hits can she keep it in the air? Let the group set a target and see if girls can meet it or beat it.



# CAMPFIRE SKITS & SONGS

## **THE INVISIBLE BENCH**

One camper comes on stage and pretends to be sitting on something. Another camper comes up and asks what she is doing; the response is, “Sitting on the invisible bench.” The other camper joins her. This continues with any number of campers asking what the others are doing and joining them. Finally, one person informs the group that the invisible bench was moved, “over there.” And all the campers fall down!

## **DIRTY DISHES**

A camper walks on the stage with a big pot, sets it down on a table along with a spoon or ladle, and sets up a “Back in 5 min” sign before walking offstage. Another camper comes along, eyes the pot, grabs the spoon and takes a big, messy slurp. Eyes wide, she grabs a friend from offstage and stresses how important it is that they try this awesome tasting soup. This keeps happening, each new person getting another to try the soup. You can make each have a different personality (e.g. hyper, shy, sporty, etc.) just for laughs. The counselor walks back on stage, seeing the campers grouped around the soup. Spotting the counselor, the campers flee. The counselor reaches into the pot and brings out a pair of dirty socks and remarks how clean they are after soaking.

## **CRYING SKIT**

The first person of the team comes on stage crying. The next person comes out, asks the first one what’s the matter and the first one whispers in his ear. Then they both start crying, long, and loud. Several others come out on stage, one at a time and repeat the same action. When everyone is on stage, crying, moaning, howling, sniffing and so on (using large handkerchiefs that were dipped in water before their entrance and wringing them out splashily) the last person comes out and asks aloud, “Why is everyone crying?” They all answer in unison, “Because we haven’t got a skit!”



# CAMPFIRE SKITS & SONGS

## CAMPFIRE SONGS

### THE BASIC 8: SONGS EVERY GIRL SCOUT SHOULD KNOW!

#### BROWNIE SMILE SONG

I've got something in my pocket  
that belongs across my face,  
I keep it very close at hand in a  
most convenient place.  
I'm sure you couldn't guess it if you  
guessed a long, long while,  
So I'll take it out and put it on, it's  
a great big Brownie Smile.

#### G FOR GENEROSITY

She wears a G for Generosity  
She wears an I for her Integrity  
She wears an R for Real Good Sportsmanship  
She wears an L for Loyalty, for Loyalty  
She wears an S for her Sincerity  
She wears a C for Courtesy, for Courtesy  
She wears an O-U-T for Outdoor Life,  
Outdoor Life  
And that Girl Scout is ME!

#### GIRL SCOUTS TOGETHER

Girl Scouts together, that is our song,  
Winding the old trails, rocky and long.  
Learning our motto, living our creed,  
Girl Scouts together in every good deed.  
Girl Scouts together, happy are we;  
Friendly to neighbors far o'er the sea.  
Faithful to country, loyal to home,  
Known as true Girl Scouts wherever we roam.

#### HELLO (PARTS SONG)

(Each part holds their Hello until all 4 are done)  
1: Hello, 2: Hello, 3: Hello, 4: Hello  
All: We are glad to meet you  
All: We are glad to greet you  
1: Hello, 2: Hello, 3: Hello, 4: Hello

#### MAKE NEW FRIENDS (ROUND)

1. Make new friends but keep the old  
One is silver and the other gold  
2. A circle is round, it has no end  
That's how long I want to be your friend.

#### ON MY HONOR

##### CHORUS

On my honor I will try  
There's a duty to be done and I say "Aye"  
There's a reason here and a reason above,  
My honor is to try and my duty is love.

##### VERSE

People don't need to know my name,  
If I've done any harm, then I'm to blame.  
If I've helped another, then I've helped me  
If I've opened up my eyes to see.  
I've tucked away a song or two...  
If you're feeling low there's one for you.  
If you need a friend, then I will come  
And there's many more where I come from.

# CAMPFIRE SKITS & SONGS

Come with me where a fire burns bright  
 You can even see better by candlelight  
 And we'll get more meaning from a campfire's glow  
 Then we'll ever learn in a year or so.  
 We've made a promise to always keep  
 And we sing Day is Done before we sleep  
 We'll be Girl Scouts together and when we're gone  
 We'll still be tryin' and a singin' this song.

## SING SING TOGETHER (ROUND)

1: Sing Sing together, merrily merrily sing,  
 2: Sing Sing together, merrily merrily sing,  
 Sing, Sing, Sing, Sing

## WHEN E'ER YOU MAKE A PROMISE (ROUND)

1: When e'er you make a promise,  
 2: Consider well its importance  
 And... when... made...  
 Engrave it upon your heart

## A PIECE OF TIN

I'm a little piece of tin  
 No one knows just where I've been  
 Got four wheels and a running board  
 I'm not a Chevy and I'm not a Ford  
 Honk, Honk, Rattle, Rattle, Rattle  
 Crash, Beep, Beep  
 Honk, Honk, Rattle, Rattle, Rattle  
 Crash, Beep, Beep  
 Honk, Honk

## SINGIN' IN THE RAIN

### CHORUS

I'm singin' in the rain, just singin' in the rain  
 What a glorious feeling, I'm happy again  
 Ooga chug-a, ooga chug-a, ooh chug-a, chug  
*(Repeat after each verse)*

*(Repeat after leaders)*

1. Arms out! (Arms out!)
  2. Knees bent! (Knees bent!)
  3. Toes together! (Toes together!)
  4. Butt out! (Butt out!)
  5. Chest out! (Chest out!)
  6. Tongue out! (Tongue out!)
- (Keep adding verses as song continues)*

## WADALYACHA

Wadaly acha Wadaly acha  
 Doodely do Doodely do  
 Wadaly acha Wadaly acha  
 Doodely do Doodely do  
 It's the easiest song, there ain't nothing to it,  
 All you gotta do is doodely do it  
 I like the rest but the part I like the best  
 Goes doodely doodely do  
 Wooh!  
*(Repeat faster)*

## AUSTRIAN WENT YODELING

### VERSE

Once an Austrian went yodeling on a mountain  
 so high, When along came a cuckoo bird  
 interrupting his cry.

### CHORUS

Ooh lee aaahhh  
 oh lee (*pat thighs*) oh kee kia (*clap hands*) oh lee  
 ah cuckoo cuckoo (*snap fingers*)  
 oh lee (*pat thighs*) oh kee kia (*clap hands*) oh lee  
 ah cuckoo cuckoo (*snap fingers*)  
 oh lee (*pat thighs*) oh kee kia (*clap hands*) oh lee  
 ah oohhhh

# CAMPFIRE SKITS & SONGS

*(Repeat verse but replace cuckoo bird with the following and add sound into chorus.)*

St. Bernard - arff, arff

Grizzly Bear - grrr

Dinosaur - ugh, ugh

Skier - swoosh

Avon lady - ding dong

Girl Scout - Hi! Wanna buy some Girl Scout cookies? NO!

Avalanche - rumble rumble

## HERMIE THE WORM

### CHORUS

Sittin' on my fence post

Chewin' my bubble gum, chew,  
chew, chew, chew

Playin' with my yo-yo, woo, woo

When along came Hermie the  
worm

And he was this big

*(make a motion as if measuring a  
tiny worm)*

And I said "Hermie, what happened?"

"I ate breakfast"

### CHORUS

Continue with:

"I ate lunch" *(measure larger worm)*

"I ate dinner" *(measure an even larger worm)*

"I burped" *(measure tiny worm)*

## LITTLE RED WAGON

*This is a "repeat after me" song*

You can't ride in my little red wagon.

Front seat's broken and the axle's dragging.

Chugga Chugga Chugga Chugga Chugga

SECOND VERSE, SAME AS THE FIRST

A WHOLE LOT LOUDER AND A WHOLE LOT WORSE!

*(Repeat)*

Third verse same as the first, a whole lot softer and a lot less worse.

*(Whisper Repeat)*

Fourth verse same as the first but a WHOLE LOT LOUDER AND A WHOLE LOT WORSE

*(Repeat as many as times as you would like)*

## MOOSE SONG

There was a great big moose

He liked to drink a lot of juice

There was a great big moose

He like to drink a lot of juice

### CHORUS

Singin' way-o way-o

Way-o way-o way-o way-o

Way-o way-o

Way-o way-o way-o way-o

The moose's name was Fred

He liked to drink his juice in bed

The moose's name was Fred

He liked to drink his juice in bed

### CHORUS

He drank his juice with care

But he spilled it everywhere

He drank his juice with care

But he spilled it everywhere

### CHORUS

There was a great big moose

On the loose

Eating cous-cous

Roasting a goose

Watching Footloose

Talking to Bruce

Drinking juice

# THINGS TO DO AROUND LA CASITA

## **Claremont Hills Wilderness Park**

4031 N Mills Ave, Claremont, CA 91711  
626-798-0833

Claremont Hills Wilderness Park is located at the base of the San Gabriel Mountains and the Angeles National Forest. The Park offers a five mile walking loop and smaller trails. Since its opening in 1997, the Claremont Hills Wilderness Park has been popular with hikers and mountain bikers. Restrooms and benches are along the route and there is a large shade structure near the top.

## **Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden**

1500 N. College Ave, Claremont, CA 91711  
909-625-8767  
rsabg.com

The 86-acre Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden is the largest botanic garden dedicated exclusively to California's native plants. Families can explore the multi-level garden to view more than 2,000 types of California plants, including natives found from southern Oregon to Baja California. The Garden offers special exhibits.

## **The Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology**

1175 West Baseline Road, Claremont, CA 91711  
909-624-2798  
alfmuseum.org

Discover various types of fossils at The Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology. The museum is the only nationally accredited natural history museum on the campus of a secondary school, The Webb Schools. The museum highlights life forms from four major eras of geologic time: Precambrian, Paleozoic, Mesozoic, and Cenozoic and houses a unique fossil track and trackway collection that is among the largest of its kind in the United States.

## **Pomona College Museum of Art**

330 N. College Avenue, Claremont CA, 91711  
909-621-8283  
pomona.edu/museum

The fine art collections of Pomona College are housed in the Pomona College Museum of Art, at the Montgomery Art Center. The Museum holds over 10,000 artworks from Renaissance panel paintings to contemporary painting and photography. The collections are a teaching resource, emphasizing first-hand conversation with art objects as a tool for increasing visual literacy and investigating the diversity of human experience. The growing contemporary collection complements existing collections and other collecting initiatives focus on works of art with international and intellectual importance that enrich the College community.

# THINGS TO DO AROUND LA CASITA

## **The Williamson Gallery**

Scripps College – The Women’s College  
 251 E. 11th Street, Claremont CA, 91711  
 909-607-4690  
[cwg.scrippscollege.edu](http://cwg.scrippscollege.edu)

The gallery emphasizes art by female artists. It owns historical and contemporary art, including a world-renowned contemporary ceramics collection; a superb collection of Japanese prints from the 15th through the 21st centuries; Chinese paintings dating back six hundred years; works of leading painters from the 19th and 20th centuries;; and an extensive photography collection.

## **Cal Poly Pomona Farm Store at Kellogg Ranch**

4102 University Dr, Pomona, CA 91768-2549  
 909-869-4906  
[cpp.edu/farmstore](http://cpp.edu/farmstore)

The Farm Store, located at AGRIsCapes on the Cal Poly Pomona campus, features an enhanced line of products from the campus farm, orchards, and nursery. The store boasts locally and California grown fruits and vegetables. The nursery offers ornamental crops such as herbs, potted foliage, flowering plants, fruit and vegetable plants, and landscape container plants.

## **Mount Baldy, California**

Manker Campground, Mt Baldy, CA, 91759  
 909-982-0800

Mt Baldy provides a fantastic hiking experience and is more accessible than one might think. The start of the Mt Baldy trail is 15 minutes off the freeway in the small Mt Baldy Village. All this is just a short drive from La Casita. Mt Baldy, at 10,068 ft (3,069 m), is the highest peak in the San Gabriel Mountains, and the highest point in Los Angeles County.



*Mount Baldy*



*The Raymond M. Alf Museum of Paleontology*

# LA CASITA EVENTS AT A GLANCE

Join us for La Casita Day Camp! We offer 2 themed weeks with different themes. Girls participate in new and traditional Girl Scouts activities while making new friends, developing self-esteem, and making lasting memories. The themes for each week provide additional activities and experiences for the campers. GSGLA runs 2 weeks of camp, Monday through Friday, from middle to late June each summer.

While at La Casita, girls are encouraged to try new things while surrounding themselves with fellow Girl Scouts and volunteers who foster an environment of support and empowerment. These new experiences instill courage, confidence, and character in each girl who is a part of the camp magic. Below is a sample camp clock. Explore what a week at camp might look like!

## LA CASITA EVENT REQUIREMENTS

Please note that there are some requirements for use of this facility, including First Aid/CPR for any event, Indoor Overnight for any overnight event using the building and Camping Skills required for any overnight camping event outdoors. Look at our events calendar for the next council training dates and times.



# LA CASITA EVENTS AT A GLANCE

\*Sample schedule, each group rotates through activities listed\*

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
8:30-9:00am	Check-in				
9:00am	Flag up (PA's)	Flag up (Brownies)	Flag up (Juniors)	Flag up (Daisies)	Flag up (Cadettes/PA's)
9:15am-12pm	Welcome to camp, Getting to know your Unit, Group Games, Unit cheer  Brownies/Daisies Archery  Juniors/Cadettes Nature Hike Badge Act. #1 & 2  Snack at 11am	Juniors/Cadettes High Ropes 9am-12pm  Brownies/Daisies 9:15am Orienteering 10am-12pm Archery  Snack at 11am	Brownies/Daisies Nature Flower Walk & Special Guest 9am-10am  Juniors/Cadettes Nature Flower Walk & Special Guest 10am-11am  11am-12pm All Units Badge Act. Br. Act #5 Jr. Act. #3 & 4 Cad. #3	Jun. & Cad. High Ropes 9am-12pm  Brownies/Daisies 9:15am Knots & Lashing 10am-12pm Archery  Snack at 11am	Brownies/Daisies Finish SWAPS, Crafts, Games/Songs  Juniors/Cadettes Archery Finish badge work (Junior Act. #5 Cad. Act. #4 & 5)  Snack at 11am
12pm-12:30pm	Lunch				
12:40pm-2:40pm	Brownies/Daisies Nature Hike Badge Act. #1 & 2  Juniors/Cadettes Archery	Brownies/Daisies Badge Act. #3 & 4  Juniors/Cadettes Archery	Brownies/Daisies Archery  Juniors/Cadettes Knots/lashing/orienteering	Brownies/Daisies Finish badge work & SWAPS  Juniors/Cadettes Archery	Brownies/Daisies Archery  Juniors/Cadettes SWAPS, Games/Songs
2:40pm-3:20pm	Camper's Choice	Water Play	Camper's Choice	Water Play	Camper's Choice
3:20pm-3:40pm	Camp Kapers				
3:40pm-3:50pm	Flag Down				
4:00pm	Walk to Pick up Area				

\*Activities subject to change, one snack is provided a day, campers must bring their own lunch!





## **DAY CAMPS**

EL RANCHITO

LA CASITA

MARINE LANDING

MARIPOSA

## **RESIDENT CAMPS**

LAKOTA (will reopen in 2020)

OSITO RANCHO