Reach for the Stars, Girl Scout!

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Girl Scout Adventure is Ahead!

This year, we have an amazing lineup of programs and training to help you meet other Girl Scouts from around the world, stay active between troop meetings, and reach for your goals.
In here, you’ll find information about programs and training designed for girls, families, and volunteers. We are excited to offer a variety of both virtual and in-person opportunities to meet everyone's needs, no matter where in the world you might be!

Download this guide and share it with parents/guardians and your Girl Scouts. Let girls take the lead! Help them find the experiences that are just right for them.

Register for events at bit.ly/usagsoevents. You can see more details about all our virtual programs there, then sign up!

Attend events and programs! Girls can attend events as a troop, on their own, with friends, or with their whole families.

Take a training! Looking for Troop Leader or OCMT training? Want to attend a webinar? Log in to gsLearn via your MyGS account. All our trainings are found there.

Share your story! Have a great time attending one of our programs or trainings? We’d love to hear all about it! Send your pictures to us here: bit.ly/sharegs21.

If you need help with anything or want to share feedback, just email us at overseascustomercare@girlscouts.org or call 001-800-467-0070 anytime.
July & August

DIY Program & Training Suggestions

During the months of July and August, USAGSO program and training will be on a short summer hiatus! However, we encourage you to keep the Girl Scout fun going all summer long with the programs and training found on the following pages. All of these DIY experiences can be completed individually, with friends/family, or as a Troop/Overseas Committee.
Girl Scout Tree Promise
Take action to plant, protect, and honor trees!

Girl Scouts Love the Outdoors Challenge
Get outside, have fun, earn a patch.

Girl Scout Climate Challenge
Girl Scouts and non-Girl Scouts of all ages get outdoors to learn about climate science, connect with their communities to understand how they're impacted by climate change, and spread awareness of the issue to create change.
Girl Scouts and SciStarter

Girl Scouts has teamed up with SciStarter to curate projects for girls, volunteers, and others to deepen their engagement in citizen science and explore outdoor STEM.

Resilient. Ready. Strong.

Try out unique ways to boost your mental health.

Global Action Award

Help heal our world and make a better future for everyone.
Want to get a jump start on your training this summer? We’ll be adding volunteers to gsLearn teams and refreshing many of our courses over the summer. Be sure to log-in to gsLearn after 1 August to access all the 2023 – 2024 membership year training.

You’ll also find lots of live training opportunities in the Adult Development section of this guide. In addition to those live sessions, don’t forget to complete the required trainings for your position, detailed below:

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September - December Programs

From learning to cook international dishes, to exploring STEM, to celebrating our Bronze, Silver and Gold Award recipients... Reach for the stars with Girl Scouts this year!
Taste the World Program Pass!

Enjoy 4-months of delicious cooking classes for just $20 with our Taste the World program pass!

Once a month, we feature a chef or home cook, teaching us how to create a dish from their country. The host will share stories about their country and their culture as they guide you through how to prepare the dish du jour.

**Grab yours today via this link!**
STEMinist

Join us for this monthly, virtual program series featuring hands-on, enriching, and age-appropriate STEM activities for Girl Scouts all over the world!

FREE Sampler Session
September 9th
8am EDT | 2pm CEST | 9pm JST
Register here

October 14th
8am EDT | 2pm CEST | 9pm JST
Register here

November 4th
Special, in-person STEMinist session in Germany!
Register here

November 18th
8am EST | 2pm CET | 10pm JST
Register here

December 9th
8am EST | 2pm CET | 10pm JST
Register here
Taste the World – Chicken Carnitas
September 16th at 5 am EDT | 11am CEST | 6pm JST
Cost: Donations | Register Here
During this session, Hadley will teach us how to make chicken carnitas and fresh pico de gallo.

Back to Wizarding School
September 30th at 4 am EDT | 10am CEST | 5pm JST
Cost: $12 | Register Here
Welcome to the Wizarding World of Girl Scouts School! Make sure you have your ticket to board the express train (or, you could just apparate) and join Girl Scouts from around the world as we practice our wizarding skills.
As we conjure up sweet treats, brew mysterious potions, and master magical spells, girls will also be learning otherworldly songs, making new wizard friends, and experiencing bewitching Girl Scout traditions.
All wizards who participate in the program will complete steps 1, 3, and 5 toward their Girl Scout Way badge. (Daisy Girl Scouts will earn the Violet - Be a Sister to Every Girl Scout petal.) Girls will receive instructions on how to complete the Girl Scout Way badge on their own or with their families/troops after the program.
October

**Strong Girls. Strong World.**
October 14th at 3am EDT | 9am CEST | 4pm JST
Cost: FREE | [Register Here](#)
Join USA Girl Scouts Overseas to celebrate International Day of the Girl and our Bronze, Silver, and Gold Award recipients at this special event designed to elevate Girl Scout's highest awards and help girls set their sights on going for the Bronze, Silver, or Gold!

**Taste the World – Girl Scout Snacks**
October 14th at 7am EDT | 1pm CEST | 8pm JST
Cost: Donations | [Register Here](#)
Ruth will teach us several snacks perfect for your next Girl Scout gathering. These snacks are guaranteed to be quick and easy but also healthy and nutritious.
Maidentrip Virtual Screening
November 2nd – 7th
Cost: FREE | Register Here
For 5-days, USA Girl Scouts Overseas will have access to an exclusive, virtual screening room to view Maidentrip. Watch for FREE with your friends, family, Girl Scout Troop, or entire Overseas Committee and have a chance to win fabulous prizes!

Taste the World – Eintopf (German Stew)
November 11th at 5am EST | 11am CET | 7pm JST
Cost: Donations | Register Here
Ursula will teach us how to make eintopf. Literally meaning "one pot," eintopf is a German stew.

November 18th at 4am EST | 10am CET | 6pm JST
Cost: FREE | Register Here
Kick off our 2nd annual, worldwide Girl Scouts Give Back Catch-A-Thon at this info session! Even if you're unable to join this kick-off session, you can still participate in the Catch-A-Thon running November 18th - 27th. See below for additional details!

USAGSO Catch-A-Thon with Stall Catchers
November 18th – 27th
Cost: FREE | Register Here
This interactive online game teaches you the why and how behind Alzheimer's and how you can contribute to Alzheimer's research as a citizen scientist!
Taste the World – Japchae and Oi-Sobagi (Korean Noodles and Kimchi)
December 9th at 5am EST | 11am CET | 7pm JST
Cost: Donations | Register Here
Caitlin will teach us how to make japchae and oi-sobagi. Japchae is a savory and slightly sweet dish of stir-fried glass noodles and vegetables that is popular in Korean cuisine. And, oi-sobagi is stuffed cucumber kimchi—it’s crisp, crunchy and deliciously refreshing!

Holidays Around the World
December 10th at 4am EST | 10am CET | 6pm JST
Cost: FREE | Register Here
Join USAGSO for a global celebration of winter holidays! Girl Scouts from all across the world will gather around the virtual fireplace to share a cup of cocoa and festive snack, make a winter craft, and sing a few songs, all while we learn about traditions from holidays such as Chinese New Year, Christmas, Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Las Posadas, and Ōmisoka.
September - December Training

Whether you're a brand new Girl Scout volunteer or a long-time leader with decades of experience, we've got a learning opportunity for you this year!
OCMT Retreats

Join USAGSO volunteers and staff from around the world to network and grow in your Girl Scout roles. Through a wide variety of training sessions and networking opportunities, participants will leave each retreat refreshed and ready for an amazing Girl Scout year!

- **September 22nd – 24th**
  Our Chalet, Switzerland
  [Register here](#)

- **October 6th – 8th**
  Pax Lodge, UK
  [Register here](#)

- **October 15th**
  Virtual
  [Register here](#)

- **October 20th – 22nd**
  Camp Tama, Japan
  [Register here](#)
Join us each month as we explore topics near and dear to our Girl Scout volunteers’ heart! From tips on program planning to resources on recruiting, there is sure to be something for everyone in our Juliette's Pearls of Wisdom* line-up. These Pearls are shared in our USAGSO Volunteer Facebook group as well as in gsLearn.

- **September: Highest Award Highlights**
- **October: Meet the Overseas Volunteer Partners (OVPs)**
- **November: Journeys 101**
- **December: Troop Travel**

Missed a session? Find all the recordings on gsLearn!

*Formerly known as GIRL Talks.*
Troop Leader Tune-Ups

For both returning and new Troop Leaders alike, our Troop Leader Tune-Ups are live, webinar-style learning opportunities designed to supplement your required training and prepare you for a year of fun with your Girl Scouts! Join us at one of the Tune-Ups below to learn what’s new with Girl Scouts this year, meet other volunteers from around the world, and ask any questions you may have before your first troop meetings.

September 26th
6am EDT | 12pm CEST | 7pm JST
Register in gsLearn

October 15th
4am EDT | 10am CEST | 5pm JST
Register in gsLearn

October 24th
12pm EDT | 6pm CEST | 1am JST
Register in gsLearn

November 11th
3am EST | 9am CET | 5pm JST
Register in gsLearn
Overseas Updates

Our monthly Overseas Updates are wonderful opportunities to hear directly from USAGSO staff and meet other volunteers from communities around the world. You will hear important Girl Scout news and learn about new opportunities available to the members of your community. All of these opportunities are available via gsLearn.

Mark your calendars:
- October 3rd
- 6am EDT | 12pm CEST | 7pm JST: Special Membership Year Kick-Off Edition

Register in gsLearn

Plus, save the date for our 2024 Overseas Updates:
- January 9th
- March 12th
- May 14th
Hope your Girl Scout year is out of this world!