



Girl Scouts Love Sea Turtles

Patch Program Requirements

To earn the Girl Scouts Love Sea Turtles patch girls need to complete the following:

- Daisy Girl Scouts: 1 activity
- Brownie Girl Scouts: 3 activities
- Junior Girl Scouts: 4 activities
- Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador Girl Scouts: 5 activities

ACTIVITY #1: Species

1. Find out all of the species of Sea Turtles and what they are about.
2. Discover the species of Sea Turtles that nest in Florida, and find out if they are endangered and why.
3. Discover all the species and where they migrate to.

ACTIVITY #2: The Life of a Sea Turtle

1. Find out how many eggs a Sea Turtles lay and what she has to do to protect them against water, people and other things the might threaten their survival.
2. How long does it take for a baby to hatch and how does he find the sea?
3. Find out what a carapace, plastron and scutes are to describe a Sea Turtle.
4. Visit your local beach to research and see if you can see turtles nest. Discover what it looks like and see if people at the beach are staying away from them?

ACTIVITY #3 Survival

1. Discover 3 things that threaten the Sea Turtles survival
2. Find out how you can help save the Sea Turtles from becoming extinct.
3. Create fact board on Sea Turtles and why they are important, have the girls talk to their parents or any groups about what they have learned and why saving the sea turtles are important.
4. Write a letter or draw a picture to your local City Offices and tell them why you think it is important to preserve the lives of the Sea Turtles and to continue to protect them. (Have your leader mail them)

ACTIVITY #4: Dig Deep and Discover Sea Turtles

1. Select one species of sea turtles learn their shell measurements, color and the shape of beak, and learn the identifying marks of the species chosen.(For example the leatherback turtles have no scutes on their back, just tough leathery skin)
2. Create their own Sea Turtle model out of margarine containers, cereal boxes etc. (you will also want construction paper, tissue paper, glue, scissors, staplers, paint and papier-mache)

ACTIVITY #5: Hatching

1. Visit your local Turtle conservation park and discover the work of Sea Turtles
2. Check the schedule for the “Night Hikes” to watch a sea turtle nest!