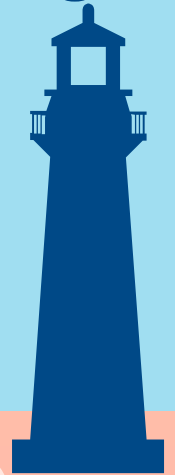




# 250th Anniversary of the United States Challenge

From July 1st, 2025, through July 31st, 2026, GSSNE will be offering an exclusive 250th Anniversary of the United States Patch as a part of a year-long program to experience our collective histories and the land in which we all inhabit. Girl Scouts may choose to participate in council-wide programs, with their troop, or on their own to complete the patch program. Girl Scouts will be able to choose 13 activities (in honor of the 13 original colonies signing the Declaration of Independence) from a list of 50 (representing the 50 current states) provided by GSSNE.

Once the Girl Scout completes 13, they may submit their completed sheet in person at GSSNE's Leadership Center or via link to a Formstack. Girl Scouts will be able to choose between picking up the patches at the GSSNE's Leadership Center during business hours, or have the patch mailed to them at no extra cost.



1. **Attend Girl Scouts Love State Parks** on September 13 and/or 14

2. Visit a Newport Mansion

3. Participate in an Earth Day Event

4. Visit Old Sturbridge Village

5. Visit Slater Mill

6. Participate in GSSNE's Sister Suffragettes program



7. Take a self-guided historic walking tour of Providence

8. Do a Troop/SU Time Capsule Project

9. Participate in a sewing workshop. Learn about designing and making a flag.

10. Organize a holiday giving drive for military families

11. Visit the Tomaquag or Pequot Museum. Learn about the connection between nature & the Indigenous people.

12. Tour the battle grounds of Lexington and Concord, MA.

13. Participate in a lighthouse tour with Save the Bay

14. Attend an outdoor event related to a cause that's important to you

15. Interview a park ranger about their work



16. Plant a tree with friends or family **as part of the Girl Scout Tree Promise**

17. Attend a Beading Workshop with Red Fern's "Bow"tique

18. Meet first responders

19. Participate in a 4th of July parade

20. Learn about the Labor Rights Movement in Pawtucket at Blackstone River Valley National Historical Park

21. Investigate Founding Myths

22. Visit a local statue or monument

23. Earn your Citizen Badge

24. Visit the USS Constitution

25. Take a tour of the State House in your state or a neighboring state

26. Try historical cooking with the Lafayette-Durfee House

27. Visit Historical New England Casey Farm

28. Visit the Touro Synagogue

29. Learn about the history of boating & coastal communities at Mystic Seaport Museum

30. Attend a concert of folk or peaceful protest music

31. Participate in a Public Art Project

32. Visit the Plimoth Patuxet Museums

33. Earn all 5 Girl Scout Multicultural patches

34. Research your ancestors

35. Visit the South County Museum

36. Learn about policy advocacy with West Place Animal Sanctuary

37. Earn a badge or sleep over at Battleship Cove



38. Take a tour or stay the night at Fort Adams

39. Participate in GSSNE's Leading Societal Change and Public Policy program.

40. Follow the Freedom Trail in Boston

41. With your troop or on your own, learn the Constitutional Amendments

42. Hike the historic Blackstone River Valley to learn about early industry and trade



43. Volunteer at a voter registration drive or polling place

44. Earn a Leadership Award

45. Complete a Take Action Project or Global Action Award

46. Make s'mores while singing your favorite traditional Girl Scout songs

47. Write letters to your senators and representatives on an issue you care about.

48. Attend a Juneteenth Celebration in your area

49. Meet with or join a local environmental group to help the planet



50. Earn your Bronze, Silver, or Gold Award

Completed your 13 activities?  
**Get the patch!**



Scan the QR code or click the patch image to submit the patch request form

