

# Girl Scouts Travel Progression

Progression allows girls to learn the skills they need to become competent travelers, including how to plan and organize trips. Travel fun can be endless when girls lead.

When moving up to each level of the travel progression, consider your:

- Independence
- Flexibility
- Decision-making skills
- Group skills
- Cross-cultural skills

## Independent Travel

Cadette, Senior, and Ambassador girls with travel experience can travel nationally or internationally independently through council-offered travel opportunities or GSUSA's Destinations program. Check with your council or visit the Girl Scout Destinations website!

## International Trip

Travel the world! These life-changing trips usually take one to three years to prepare. Consider visiting a WAGGGS World Centre.

**Keep it girl-led:** girls download the Global Travel Toolkit and plan their entire trip (learning about the language, culture, passports and visas, exchange rates, etc.)

*Extended trip insurance required.*

## National Trips

Travel the country! Trips often last a week or more. Girls should think beyond a typical vacation location and consider historical sites, museums, or national parks!

**Keep it girl-led:** girls lead the entire planning process and might add a community service or Take Action project.

*Extended trip insurance required.*

## Regional Trips

Spend three to four nights somewhere a few hours from home.

**Keep it girl-led:** girls plan key details of the trip, such as the activities, the budget, the route, and lodging.

*Extended trip insurance required.*

## Overnights

Start with one night, maybe at a camp or museum. Progress to a weekend trip in a nearby city or state park.

**Keep it girl-led:** girls plan the activity and meals, create travel games, and pack their own overnight bags.

## Day Trips

Take an all-day trip!

**Keep it girl-led:** girls choose the location and activity (perhaps working toward a badge) and make plans for lunch.

## Local Field Trips

Get your travel feet wet! Walk to a nearby garden, or take a short ride to a fire house or other local spot.

**Keep it girl-led:** girls choose the location.

Girls should have experience at every level of the progression before moving on to the next level. For regional travel, girls must be Juniors or older. For national and international trips, girls must be Cadettes or older.