

Girl Scout Proficiency Badges

Now you can work on proficiency badges during your visit to the International Wolf Center, through our interactive WolfLink program and by taking advantage of a wide array of content on this Web site. If you or your troops are planning a visit to the Center, please let us know in advance if you plan to work on any of these badges or patches.

Below is a list of badges that the International Wolf Center can provide resources for by addressing specific knowledge requirements, addressing activities that need to be completed and providing a location to complete requirements.

This list does not highlight activities that could be completed within the troop or at home.

Add suggested programs to enhance your visit and accomplish goals! All programs are adapted to the learning level of the group unless otherwise noted.

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Hiker

Brownie - Outdoors

Girl Scouts love to sing hiking songs, pack fun and tasty snacks, and hunt for sounds of animals and birds. Here's what you need to know to become a Brownie hiker—get ready for adventure.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and include one or more of the suggested programs: Habitat Hike, Wolf & Wildlife Signs Hike, Northwoods Ecology Hike/Snowshoe



Senses

Brownie - Investigation

You have five senses that work together to let you see, hear, smell, taste, and touch the world around you. Try all five in this badge!

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and include one or more of the suggested programs: Day or Night Hike/Snowshoe with sensory activities, Wolf Communication with sensory activities
- Register your troop for a Wolf 101 videoconferencing program



Animal Habitats

Junior - Animals

Imagine meeting a monkey or kicking up dust with a kangaroo. These animals live in the wild, so we don't get to spend time with them in their natural homes—their habitats. But that doesn't mean we can't find out more about where they live, how they play, and how we can help them.

Meet your goal:

- Visit the Center with friends or family and attend a free Wolf 101 program
- Register your troop for a group visit and include one or more of the suggested programs: Wolf 101, Habitat Hike, Northwoods Ecology, Wolves & Wildlife Signs Hike/Snowshoe, Beavers & Wolves, Abandoned Den Hike/Snowshoe (Dec-Feb only), habitat games
- Register your troop for one of the following videoconferencing programs: Wolf Ecology or Pup 101



Detective

Junior - Investigation

Stories, movies, and television are full of amazing detectives solving mysteries and bringing criminals to justice. Their jobs are important, exciting, and take serious skills—skills you can try in this badge. Grab your magnifying glass and dive into the science of detecting.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and request one or more of the suggested programs: Wolf Research Methods with Telemetry (on-site activity or field outing), Owl Program and Pellet Dissection (small additional fee, owl pellets are ordered by request)
- Register your troop for a Wolf Research videoconferencing program



Night Owl

Cadette - Adventure

Night has captured the imagination since the dawn of time. But with modern-day electricity, it's easy to overlook the mysteries and beauty of the world after the sun goes down. So grow your imagination and expand what you know (or think you know!). Turn out the lights, tune in your senses, and step out in to the night.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and include one or more of the suggested programs: Night Hike, Wolf Communication, Owl Program and Pellet Dissection (small additional fee, owl pellets are ordered by request)



Finding Common Ground

Cadette - Citizen

Democratic governments exist to help citizens with differing opinions find common ground—the place where people's thoughts, opinions, and beliefs intersect. Whether it's Congress, your state, or the local town council, elected leaders often have to make trade-offs, giving up some things they favor to gain support for others. In this badge, investigate how our government does it—and how you can, too.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and request one or more of the suggested programs: Wolf Management with a "Gray Wolves Gray Matter" activity, Science and Civics: Sustaining Wildlife (9-12 grade), Exploring Environmental Issues: Focus on Forests (9-12 grade)



Trees

Cadette - Naturalist

Grab your naturalist hat and get ready to get to know trees—from the shade to the science, the fruit to the forest, and the legends to the lumber. To know trees is to love them.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and request one or more of the suggested programs: The Forest and the Trees (9-12 grades), Northwoods Ecology themed program with a focus on trees (we have many)



Voice for Animals

Senior - Animals

As consumers of beauty products, clothing, and chicken nuggets, and as pet owners, horseback riders, or circus spectators, our relationships with animals play a big role in our lives. What are the specifics of the complex relationship between animals and humans? If you want to know more so that you can make informed choices—and help others make them, too, this badge is for you.

Meet your goal:

- Visit the Center with friends or family and observe a Wolf 101 program - contact [the Center](#) in advance to coordinate the "Voice for Animals Wolf 101" with education staff
- Register your troop for a group visit and include one or both of the suggested programs: Wolf 101 modified to emphasize the human impact, Wolf Management/Recovery, Science and Civics: Sustaining Wildlife (9-12 grade), Exploring Environmental Issues: Focus on Forests (9-12 grade).
- Register your troop for a Wolf Ecology videoconferencing program



Water

Ambassador - Naturalist

Water surrounds us, sometimes in such quantities that we forget how precious it is. Water is familiar and it's mysterious. It exists as a liquid, solid, or gas. It falls from the sky and exists deep within the earth. Water can nourish us and challenge us. In this badge, experience the bliss of a clear liquid solution known scientifically.

Meet your goal:

- Register your troop for a group visit and request one or more of the suggested programs: WildKids Water programs, Bog Walk (all ages, summer only), Inland Lakes and Bogs with a Bog Walk (9-12 grades), Beavers and Wolves (summer only)