

Juliette Welcome Guide

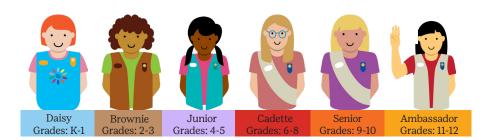


As a Girl Scout Juliette girls can have a Girl Scout experience uniquely tailored to their interests at the schedule and pace that works best for them.

Girl Scouts builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

For **girls**. By **girls**.

Everything a Girl Scout does—whether it's climbing mountains, speaking her mind, or dreaming up new technology—has been developed especially for, and is tested by, girls. Girl Scouts is a world where girls can do, and be, whatever they dream.



From kindergarten through 12th grade girls gain important skills in areas that form the foundation of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience: STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math), outdoors, life skills, and entrepreneurship.

Our Mission

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Girl Scout Promise Girl

On my honor, I will try:
To serve God* and my country,
To help people at all times,
And to live by the Girl Scout Law.

* Members may substitute for the word God in accordance with their own spiritual beliefs.

Girl Scout Law

I will do my best to be
honest and fair,
friendly and helpful,
considerate and caring,
courageous and strong, and
responsible for what I say and do,
and to

respect myself and others, respect authority, use resources wisely, make the world a better place, and be a sister to every Girl Scout.

What is a Girl Scout Juliette?

Girl Scout Juliettes are individually registered Girl Scouts, who choose not to participate in the troop format, but still have access to a robust offering of Girl Scout experiences and opportunities. Juliettes are active, independent, self-confident girls who want to be part of something larger – Girl Scouts! Juliettes is Girl Scouting custom-made for any girl! It's a great way to take the lead in the Girl Scout experience and pursue activities that match individual interests and schedule.

There are many ways to have fun and explore the world in Girl Scouts. It all depends on what each girl is interested in; earn badges while experimenting with science in the outdoors, make new friends at summer camp, travel, explore interests through series and events and learn what it takes to run a business in our Cookie Program. Every Girl Scout has opportunities to build skills and confidence in STEM, the outdoors, Life Skills, and Entrepreneurship – the pillars of the Girl Scout leadership Experience.

As a Juliette, girls work on Girl Scout programs with a parent or other adult mentor. Each girl decides what activities to participate in and which awards she wants to earn.



<u>Her Best Year Yet</u>

During the course of a Girl Scout year, Juliettes will participate in a variety of activities. Girl Scouts is girl led. Girls supported by Adult Volunteers like you, work to set goals and make plans to do the things they're most interested in.

Activities might include:



Badge or Journey earning activities

Girl Scout awards and badges are a great way for girls to explore their interests and learn new skills—and to remember every adventure by proudly wearing them on their uniforms as they show the world what they've accomplished.



Fall Product & Girl Scout Cookie Program

In addition to honing entrepreneurial skills Juliettes have the opportunity to set goals and earn start-up funds for Girl Scout activities, community service, or take action projects.



Outings

Girls learn by doing and getting out into the world around them. Outings might include visiting a business, going on a camp-out and hike, or even practicing life skills at a restaurant.



Travel

In Girl Scouting, travel presents girls the opportunity to learn about themselves, other cultures, new places, and the outdoors as they prepare, plan, and budget for their trip.



A weekend or week at Camp Scherman

Our year-round camp program is better than ever with exciting themed camp experiences to fit everyone's schedules and interests. Girls can select from themed camp sessions that include traditional Girl Scout camp activities, like archery, canoeing, hiking, and more.



Community Service and Take Action Projects

Whether it's through planting a garden, painting a mural, or launching a letter-writing campaign, she'll make the world a better place.



Bridging Events

When Girl Scouts advance to the next Girl Scout level, they cross a bridge to symbolize a connection between her past Girl Scout experience and her future Girl Scout adventures.

To register for events, visit www.girlscoutsoc.org/events

Girl Scout Gear

For over a century, Girl Scouts have proudly worn distinctive uniforms that symbolize the ideals of our organization. Girl Scouts at each level wear a tunic, sash, or vest to display official pins and awards. Girls can mix and match pieces from the official Girl Scout collection for their Girl Scout level with items from their own wardrobes.

Shopping List:

- ☐ Sash, Vest, or Tunic
 - ☐ Juliette Patch
 - □ Council Identification Set
 - ☐ Insignia Tab
 - ☐ Membership Pins
 - ☐ Flag Patch

Optional:

- □ Level Handbook
- □ Official Girl Scout Uniform Apparel All levels may wear any khaki bottoms and white shirt
- ☐ Girl Scout Accessories

Questions?

Girl Scout Shop staff are happy to help!

Financial Aid is available to learn more email customercare@girlscoutsoc.org.









Visit us in store where our staff will help you find everything you need to get started.

For up to date shop locations, information, and hours go to www.girlscoutsoc.org/shop

or shop online 24/7 at girlscoutshop.com

Your Role as A Juliette Parent

Girl Scout Juliettes is a girl-led, family driven Girl Scout experience. As a parent/guardian of a Juliette, you and your Girl Scout will be partners, shaping and sharing in the fun of the Girl Scout Leadership Experience.

Parent/guardians will:

- ▶ Register her as Girl Scout. Go to girlscoutsoc.org and click on "MyGS" to register/renew her membership, paying the annual membership dues, which provides insurance coverage for her Girl Scout activities.
- ▶ Consider becoming an adult Girl Scout! By registering yourself, you become a sister Girl Scout entitled to member benefits, including access to free training, activity accident insurance, and communications from Girl Scouts. She'll see your commitment to her growth and before you know it, you'll be growing too!
- ▶ Help her choose her passion and path. Decide what Girl Scout activities, badges and awards she'd like to earn.
- ▶ Explore the Volunteer Toolkit, a digital portal for easy, fun Girl Scout activities and step-by-step guides for completing badges and journeys. A guide for accessing the VTK is available at girlscoutsoc. org/juliettes. To access the VTK go to girlscoutsoc.org and click on "My GS".
- ▶ Find events and opportunities. Explore our event calendar and assist her in registering for activities that fit her interests. Find events and opportunities at girlscoutsoc.org/events.
- ▶ Partner to create a budget to reach her goals. You can even complete a Financial Literacy badge in the process! She may want to participate in our Fall Product or Cookie Programs to earn money to fund her experience.
- ▶ Visit our Girl Scout Shop online or in-person in Irvine and assist your Girl Scout with purchasing a uniform, badges earned, and a Girls Guide to Girl Scouting or memory book. Visit our Girl Scout Shop at girlscoutsoc.org/shop.
- ▶ Participate in Juliette Support Meetings for guidance and connection. To learn more email customercare@girlscoutsoc.org.

Juliette Support Meetings

New! Each month, Girl Scout Juliettes and their adult mentors are invited to join our virtual gathering where Juliette Advisors and staff will provide support, learn about GSOC and local Service Unit events, and be connected to resources to support the Girl Scout Juliette experience. This is also a great opportunity to meet other Juliette families!

Find Juliette Support Meetings on GSOC's Event Calendar at girlscoutsoc.org/events. After registering for a session, you will receive a Zoom link and password to participate virtually.

Transitioning Membership

Girl Scout Juliettes are individually registered members of Girl Scouts. Many girls choose this membership option because they want to participate on their own schedule or because they are waiting for a new troop to form. If her troop has been disbanded or her schedule has changed, becoming a Girl Scout Juliette can help her continue her own personal leadership adventure!

Girls can transition from Juliettes into a troop or vice versa at any time within the membership year (October 1 - September 30). Girls only register (pay membership dues) once a year. For assistance in transitioning your membership, please email customercare@ girlscoutsoc.org.

Funding Her Juliette Experience

Girl Scout Juliette families provide funds for special events and activities. Girls can also participate in our Fall Product and Cookie programs to help cover the costs of their experience by earning Juliette Dollars, Cookie Dough, OC Bucks and Online Loot as rewards. Financial Assistance is available for uniforms. membership dues, camp and events. Contact customercare@girlscoutsoc. org for assistance.



Valuable Resources

You belong to a network of nearly 1 million adults who share an important commitment: preparing girls to lead successful lives.

Here are a few of the many resources available to support our vital Girl Scout Juliette parents:



Girl Scouts of Orange County Website

Our council website provides a wealth of information on our programs, features a robust calendar of events, and serves as our central hub for important forms and documents.

Learn more at girlscoutsoc.org.



Volunteer Toolkit

The Volunteer Toolkit (VTK) is your digital portal for easy, fun Girl Scout activities year-round! With this step-by-step guide, you'll discover how you can help take the Girl Scout experience to the next level.

To access the VTK, go to **girlscoutsoc.org** and select **MyGS VTK**, and then **Volunteer Toolkit**.



Email Newsletters

As a part of your Girl Scout membership, you will receive Weekly Volunteer News and/or Monthly Member News emails. These emails provide the latest information about Girl Scouting in Orange County, including important council updates, Girl Scout program opportunities, and upcoming events.

If you have questions, comments, or need additional support, please email **customercare@girlscoutsoc.org.**