

Hingham Girl Scout House Badge

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"Scouting
rises
within
you and
inspires
you to put
forth your
best."

-Juliette
Gordon
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Being a Girl Scout is not only fun; but it is also a responsibility, to your friends, your family and your community. One must care for those around them at all times and help care for our Girl Scout House. The *Girl Scout House* badge will greatly improve your knowledge of your house and its importance to the Girl Scouts of Hingham.



Steps:

- Learn your history!
- Get cooking
- Help Out
- Dream It!
- Get to Know your House

Purpose: When I've **earned** this

badge, I will respect my Girl Scout House and know how to take care of it.



Step 1:

Know your History!

Complete one of the following:



Coast to Coast

From coast to coast

Girl Scouts are the most

I said from coast to coast

Girl Scouts are the most

Chorus (air guitar):

Na-na na-na na na

Na-na na-na na na na

Na-na na-na na-na na

Na-na na-na na na na

From east to west

Girl Scouts are the best

I said from east to west

Girl Scouts are the best

From north to south

Boy Scouts have big mouths

I said from north to south

Boy Scouts have big mouths

1. Schedule a visit with a Hingham Historian and prepare questions for them. Ask about the Girl Scouts in the past, Hingham's past and why Girl Scouts was created. Visit <http://www.hinghamhistorical.org/> to find of someone who is eligible to meet with your troop.

2. Write a journal entry as if you and your troop are living in the 1800s. Write about a typical day, including events, food and add some background about yourself, also, make up different names for you and girls in your troop. Think about what kind of clothes they would be wearing and what problems they would encounter in their daily lives that we do not have to deal with today. Is their life harder than yours?

3. Find some original Girl Scout songs and get together with a brownie troop to teach them the songs. Tell them about the origin of the song and why you picked it. How long have Girl Scouts been singing the songs you chose?

Step 2:

Get Cooking!

Bake an original Girl Scout cookie at the Girl Scout House and learn how the girls used to make cookies and how they were packaged and sold in the past.

https://www.girlscouts.org/program/gs_cookies/history.asp

Girl Scout Cookie, circa 1922

- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- additional sugar for topping (optional)
- 2 eggs
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla
- 2 cups flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 2 teaspoons baking powder

Cream butter and the cup of sugar; add well-beaten eggs, then milk, vanilla, flour, salt, and baking powder. Refrigerate for at least 1 hour. Roll dough, cut into trefoil shapes, and sprinkle sugar on top, if desired.

Bake in a quick oven (375°) for approximately 8 to 10 minutes or until the edges begin to brown. Makes six- to seven-dozen cookies.



Step 3: Help Out!

How can you help your Girl Scout House?



Complete a service project to help the Girl Scout house. Choose from one of the projects listed on the Hingham Girl Scouts website. Find the list by going to the main page of GS website:

<http://www.hinghamgirlscouts.org/index.php/donate/volunteers-needed>

Can you think of new projects to add to the list?



Step 4: Dream it!



Do one of the following:

1. Make a meal from another country at the Girl Scout house. Research this country and share five interesting facts about it with the troop. Does the country have Girl Scouts? Why did you choose this country?

2. Plan your dream trip you could take with Girl Scouts. What activities would you do? Where would you stay? Could your troop afford this trip? How long would you go for and how would you get there?

3. Dream up ideas of how to make the Girl Scout house more sustainable. What technology could you add to help save money and help the environment? How could you raise money to keep the house in good condition?



Step 5:

Get to know your house:



Do one of the following:

1. Attend a Girl Scout House committee meeting and learn about the maintenance, insurance, preservation and other important things about the house. Form groups of three or four and come up with at least two questions per group to ask at the meeting.
2. Spend an overnight at the Girl Scout House with your troop. Also, cook dinner in the kitchen to add to the fun! Have a theme for the overnight; some examples are science experiments, nail painting, talent show, or movies.
3. Host a tour of the Girl Scout House from top to bottom and invite your parents and friends. Make sure to have at least 10-15 facts about the history of the Hingham Girl Scout House and provide refreshments for after. Make sure raise awareness about the GS House and tell everyone how they can get involved!

