

LAURA INGALLS WILDER PATCH

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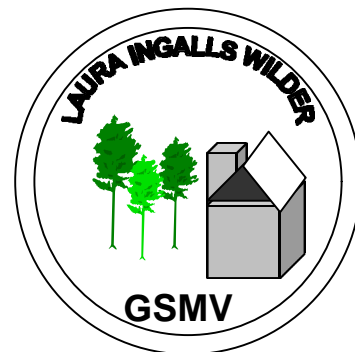
Brownie, Junior, Cadette,
and Senior Girl Scouts

Requirements: Complete the four starred (*) activities plus: Brownie Girl Scouts complete two additional activities, Junior Girl Scouts complete three additional activities, and Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts complete 4 additional activities.

1. * Read at least four books in the "Little House" series, reporting which four were read by writing one paragraph describing the story.
2. * Cook a prairie meal or bake bread from an old recipe that Laura's family might have used.

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3. * Hand sew a simple sunbonnet, patchwork square, or apron yourself.
4. * Visit a Laura Ingalls Wilder historical site
OR
Visit a Laura Ingalls Wilder exhibit
OR
Visit another troop to encourage girls to read from the Laura Ingalls Wilder series.
5. View an authentic covered wagon or find pictures of a covered wagon and create a model from wood, paper, or other materials.
6. What toys did children of Laura's time have and play with? Find modern day examples of these and



make a list of them. Check your local library for information.

7. Play two games that Laura played at school. Examples might include: Uncle John, Ring-Around-A-Rosy, and Bean-Porridge Hot.
8. Write a one-page report on the life of Laura Ingalls Wilder. How does Laura's life compare to yours? How does her life differ?
9. Using only natural items, make a craft that the Wilders may have made.

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EVERY FEW YEARS.**

PEN PAL PATCH

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Junior, Cadette, and Senior
Girl Scouts

Requirements: To earn this patch, complete all nine activities listed. Pen pals can be found through the internet (be careful!) or through the pen pal service of GSUSA. To apply, call the program manager at the Cedar Rapids office at 319-363-8335 or 800-568-7077. This process can take several months, depending upon how many councils have troops to match.

1. Correspond with a troop from another state for at least one year.
2. Keep a file of all the letters in the order in which you received them.
3. Find out about the occupations of the people, the landscape, and the famous people of your pen pals' state.
4. Find out your pen pals' hobbies and main interests.
5. Exchange pictures of your state, yourself, Girl Scout activities, or make your own

6. video and send it to your pen pal.
6. Make an inexpensive gift or craft for your pen pals.
7. Keep up-to-date about what is happening in your pen pals' community. Share news items with each other.
8. Obtain a map of your pen pals' state and locate approximately where they live.
9. Help your pen pals earn a patch specific to your area, and you earn one of theirs.