



Girl Scouts®

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GUIDELINES: Complete the starred (*) activity plus five others that are listed. Daisy Girl Scouts may receive a patch for participating in any activities and are not expected to complete a set number.

- *1. Learn about the historical importance of the Great Bridge area in the following categories:
 - The Battle of Great Bridge in 1775 Chesapeake, A Pictorial History, by Charles B. Cross, Jr. is one reference book that could be used as a source of information.
 - The Intracoastal Waterway
 - The engineering feat of the canal (Great Bridge Locks)

2. Learn about the ecological system of the Great Dismal Swamp, the largest historical swamp in the United States, by visiting the Great Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, 3100 Desert Road, Suffolk, VA 23439-0349. <http://greatdismalswamp.fws.gov/>
 - Contact the volunteer coordinator at (757) 986-3705.
 - Learn about the swamp's historical significance to the area's economy, political impact and ethnic populations.
 - Learn about the environmental impact and the steps people can take to ensure the swamp's survival.

3. Research the history of the Nansemond Indian Tribe which settled along the Nansemond River. In what year did the General Assembly give state recognition to the tribe? www.nansemond.org

4. Visit the planetarium, 312 Cedar Road. Reservations are required by calling (757) 547-0153

5. Visit the Chesapeake Arboretum, 624 Oak Rd. (757) 382-7060. A 47-acre nature hardwood forest. www.chesapeakearboretum.com

6. Visit Northwest River Park, 1733 Indian Creek Road. <http://www.chesapeake.va.us/services/depart/park-rec/nwrp.shtml>
 - Contact the ranger at (757) 421-7151.
 - Activities include picnicking, walking on trails, visit the display in the office, canoeing, camping or having fun on the playground facilities.

7. Visit the Dismal Swamp North Trail, 1200 Dismal Swamp Canal Trail. Visit the garden at the entrance. Walk, ride a bike or canoe the trail. Enter at Rt. 17 and George Washington Hwy.

8. Visit Portlock Galleries at SoNo 3815 Bainbridge Blvd., (757) 502-4901. www.portlockgalleries.com

9. Visit Chesapeake's radio station WFOS-FM 88.7, (757) 547-1036, or TV station WCTV- 48 (757) 547-1748. The station is located across the street from Tidewater Community College at 1617 Cedar Road.

10. Visit the Girl Scout Council of Colonial Coast regional center *A Place for Girls* 912 Cedar Road. (757) 547-4405 www.gsccc.org. Participate in one of the following activities.
 - Stay overnight in the Fun Room (Ext. 237)
 - Attend an age level activity held evenings & weekends (Ext. 264).
 - Arrange for a custom activity for your troop of 10 or more (Ext. 264).
 - Canoe Bells Mill Creek (Ext. 264).
 - Complete the fitness trail (brochures available on Web site or by calling Ext. 221).