

Explore the Francis Land House

3131 Virginia Beach Blvd., Virginia Beach, VA 23452

FEE: \$5 per person with advance troop reservations

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Guidelines: Visit the Francis Land House and complete the required activity and then the number of activities for your grade level according to the grid.

	DISCOVER	CONNECT	TAKE ACTION	ANY ACTIVITY UNDER ANY KEY	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES
Girl Scout Daisy	1	1	1	0	3
Girl Scout Brownie	1	1	1	1	4
Girl Scout Junior	1	1	1	2	5
Girl Scout Cadette	1	1	1	3	6
Girl Scout Senior	1	1	1	4	7
Girl Scout Ambassador	1	1	1	5	8

Discover

- When did the Land family first come to Virginia?
- What year did enslaved Africans first come to the English colonies?
- What indigenous/Native American tribe lived in this area prior to English settlement?
- Who built the Francis Land House? When?
- On the outside, the house is an example of one design style, but on the inside, the house is a different kind of style. Name the styles.
- The bricks on the house have an uncommon design. Name this bond pattern.
- In the parlor, there is a special piece of furniture for women. What is it? What was it used for?
- What kind of shop did the Francis Land House become in the 1950s?

Connect

- How was living on a plantation similar and different to life today?
- What was the role of the passage? Do you have a room or area like this in your house?
- The rooms in the Francis Land House of ten served more than one purpose. Discuss the different uses for one of the rooms you saw and how those uses are similar and different from the same room or a similar room in your house.
- What kinds of outbuildings likely existed on the Land family's plantation? Do you have buildings or rooms like these at your house? Why or why not?

Take Action

- Education was different in the colonial and federal periods. Find out how and make your own hornbook (recommended for girls in grades K-2) or try their hand at quill writing (recommended for girls in grades 3-5). This program must be requested before visiting.
- Learn about colonial clothing and participate in "Dressing the Part," in Textiles. Girls will be able to dress in period reproduction clothing, learn about common fabrics, and spin wool into yarn. This program must be requested before visiting.
- Create your own embroidered pattern in Embroidery Free Form and learn about the importance of embroidery in the early United States. Advanced designs are available for older girls upon request. This program must be requested before visiting.
- Young colonists did not have electronic gaming systems to occupy their time like we do today. Girls will explore the world of colonial Toys and Games and make a colonial-style toy to take home. This program must be requested before visiting.

- Indigenous Americans have lived in Virginia for thousands of years before European arrival. Girl Scouts will learn about local First Peoples of Virginia who lived in Tidewater/Princess Anne County/Virginia Beach and create a pinch pot.
- Archaeology and museum studies are two fields that are much interconnected. Learn about Archaeology and how it impacts museum and historic interpretation by participating in a simulated dig.
- Architecture plays an important role in understanding how surrounding structures affect our lives in a broader cultural context. Explore our historic homes and discover how their structure influenced its story through recreated blueprint activities.