

Explore the Virginia Beach Oceanfront



Explore the importance of the Virginia Beach Oceanfront and how we can make positive impacts on businesses, marine life and this environment.

GUIDELINES: Based on the grid, complete the number of activities for your grade level. Then, to receive this free patch (while supplies last) complete this <u>survey</u> and bring the last page to the GSCCC shop for your free patch.

	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

- The boardwalk is 3 miles long. Can you walk the entire boardwalk? While on your walk you should be able to see the fishing pier which has been there since 1950. There is the Atlantic Wildfowl Heritage Museum whose goal is to protect the wildlife of the oceanfront. There is also the Old Coast Guard Station, it used to be a coast guard station but is now used as a museum.
- There are many businesses on Atlantic Avenue; discover three shops.
- There are many statues along the Oceanfront; some of them are the King Neptune statue, the Navy SEAL monument, and Norwegian Lady Statue. Can you find them?
- Look on a map and find where the Oceanfront is: 1700 Atlantic Ave, Virginia Beach, VA 23451
- There are many different animals that live on the beach, do you see any? Some of the most common ones are seagulls, pigeons, and on the beach you can sometimes find crabs.

CONNECT

- Connect with some of the lifeguards on the beach. If they are not busy, ask them about their jobs and what you can do to stay safe on the beach.
- Go to one of the many events on the Oceanfront to support some of the creators that live here: https://beacheventsvb.com
- Visit the Virginia Beach Surf and Rescue museum; was there anything you found interesting there?
- There are many art pieces on the boardwalk, which one was your favorite? What did it look like?

TAKE ACTION

- Promote one of the many small businesses on the oceanfront on specific social media pages that you have created for this patch, and be sure to use the hashtag **#GirlScoutsLoveVABeach** when you post.
- Clean up the beach/boardwalk. Here is a website to learn more Virginia Beach Surfrider Foundation
- Take pictures of the time you spent at the Oceanfront, share them with your friends and family. Ask them to share this via a social media post with hashtag **#GirlScoutsLoveVABeach**
- Sign up for one of the camps on the Oceanfront, such as skate camp (<u>waveridingvehicles/skatecamp</u>), surf camp (<u>Virginia Beach Surf Sessions</u>) or lifeguard camp (<u>VBLA Junior Lifeguard Camp</u>).

The Explore the Virginia Beach Oceanfront patch program was developed as a Gold Award project by Girl Scout Madison Roush from Troop 661.