

Explore the Great Bridge Battlefield and Waterways Museum



Troop leaders should book groups or guided tours at least two weeks in advance; call 757-482-4480 or visit <u>gbbattlefield.org</u>. Museum Admission: \$8 general admission, \$7 for military and senior, \$5 for youth ages 6-17, free for ages 5 and under.

GUIDELINES: Visit the museum. Based on the grid, complete the number of activities for your grade level to earn this 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	2	1	1	1	5
Girl Scout Junior	2	1	1	1	5
Girl Scout Cadette	3	2	2	2	9
Girl Scout Senior	3	2	2	3	10
Girl Scout Ambassador	4	3	2	3	12

DISCOVER

Explore the museum to answer the following questions:

- Who was Billy Flora?
- Who was Polly Miller?
- Describe three of the artifacts in the museum displays.
- Describe two items sold in the museum gift shop and why they are included.
- What was the name of the Tavern located inside the museum?
- What was the importance of the Great Bridge?

Explore the obelisk monument outside the museum to answer the following questions:

- Who constructed the monument?
- What is the inscription on the monument?
- What are six of the cities/counties commemorated in the bricks surrounding the monument?

CONNECT

- From the perspective of a reporter in 1775, write a newspaper article describing the battle of Great Bridge. What happened and what was the result?
- What is the importance of the Battle of Great Bridge to Virginia and U.S. history?
- Look at a map of Great Bridge from the 1700s compared to today. What are some things that stand out to you about its geography? Identify the population at that time compared to today.

- Write a letter to Lord Dunmore as a British soldier or loyalist after the Battle of Great Bridge.
- Draw a map of Great Bridge in 1775 and share the map with your troop or family.
- Complete a scavenger hunt from the admissions desk and write a sentence about each artifact.

TAKE ACTION

- Take pictures of your trip to the museum and complete a report to share with your classmates, troops in your area or assembly.
- Refer others to visit this museum.
- Bring a friend to the museum.
- Volunteer in the museum.
- What role can you play in keeping our waterways clean? Participate in a clean-up day or research ways to recycle various materials and encourage your troop and family to recycle.
- Research an artifact or find something in the museum that interests you—a little piece of fascinating history—research it, and tell your troop or family all about it!
- The Great Bridge Battlefield & Waterways Museum is in operation today because of the dedication of community historians as a result of historic preservation. What role can you play in the preservation of your community's history? Write down three ideas and take the lead on one as a project.
- Step back into the past and imagine why colonists were upset during this time of Revolution and turmoil. How would you inspire others to take action during this time of discord?