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Dear Girl Scouts,

During this time of year, we reflect and give thanks to those who have impacted our lives. We honor military men and women who have served our country. It's important for girls of all ages to learn about the military and honor those who have risked their lives for our freedom.

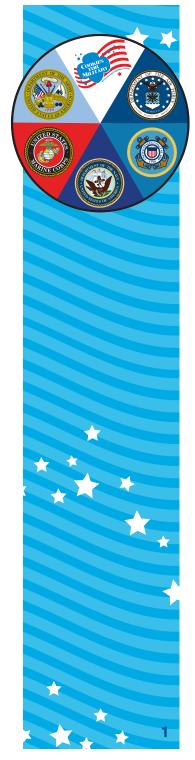
Mission Military is an opportunity to learn more about military service and history. This patch pal gives girls the opportunity to expand their knowledge of the military by learning about each of the five branches, their history, and their people.

The requirements for this patch encourage girls to explore different areas of the military and learn about things from uniforms, to education, to special awards for exceptional service to our country. They will engage in service learning by writing cards to men and women overseas or volunteer babysitting kids of servicemen and women, and they will learn first-hand what it's like to serve in the military as a woman.

And as we approach Cookie season, girls will get a head start on their Cookies for Military campaign by creating their own donation box incorporating what they've learned about the military. They'll be fully equipped to advocate for Cookies for Military donations with their new knowledge base and understanding of what it's like to serve our country.

NEED MORE INFO?

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GENERAL

REQUIREMENTS

Here's how this path program works:

On the following pages, there are five steps that girls need to complete to earn the Mission Military badge.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

See the following pages for activities for all levels to complete.

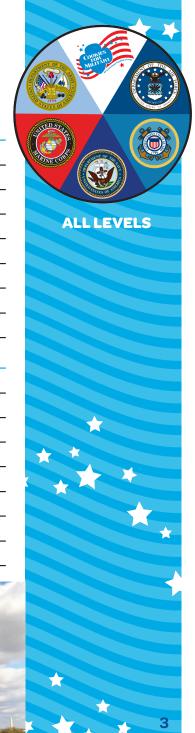
In addition to the first four steps, choose the number of activities from Step 5 as indicated per level.

After a girl has completed all the necessary requirements, please visit the Girl Scout shop to purchase your badge.



List the five branches of the military.

Learn at least two facts about each branch.





Participate in a militaryfocused service project.

Ideas include sending cards or care packages to military members overseas, or volunteer babysitting children of military parents.

YOU

A IN

ALL LEVELS

THANKYOU



Help us send Girl Scout cookies overseas!

Prepare for this year's Cookies for Military (CFM) program by recycling an old box or jar and decorate it to collect Cookies for Military donations during the cookie season. Incorporate something from each branch of

the military and create a brief informational poster to display near your CFM donation box/jar.



Research the uniforms of each of the branches of the military.

Can you imagine yourself in the military? What would you look like in one of the uniforms? Draw it here:









CHOOSE NUMBER OF ACTIVITIES BY LEVEL



Complete the number of activities per your level:

DAISY	Choose 3
BROWNIE	Choose 4
JUNIOR	Choose 5
CADETTE	Choose 6
SENIOR	Choose 6
AMBASSADOR	Choose 6

CHOICES:

- □ Locate on a map and research at least one active military base in Arizona.
- Learn what the USO is, their mission, and the kinds of activities they support.
 www.uso.org

- OR -----

- OR -----

□ What is the Purple Heart and how is it earned? www.purpleheart.org

- OR -----

□ What are the general requirements to enlist in the military? Be sure to study age, education, physical conditioning, and gender.

- OR -----

- What is a veteran? Learn about a veteran's organization in your area and what they do. www.va.gov/kids
- □ Interview a female veteran or active military member to learn what it's like to serve our country!

- OR -----

□ What is proper flag ceremony etiquette? Lead a troop flag ceremony.

- OR -----

- OR -----

- OR -----

- □ Each branch of the military has a song. *Find the music and lyrics* for one and sing it!
- □ Find one of the five branches' schools of higher education. Research its history, the application process, and a program that it's well-known for (educational, sports, etc.)







You might also be interested in these other Learn Local badges:





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