Travel Progression

Progression allows girls to learn the skills they need to become competent travelers, including how to plan and organize trips. In addition to this Travel Progression Chart, also follow the Outdoor Progression Chart, to help girls develop outdoor skills and experience outdoor travel and adventures. When girls take the lead, the possibilities are endless.

Note: Training is required for any of the following trips. Check our menu of online learning options for trip organizers on our Volunteer Learning Portal.

### Local Field Trips
- Take an all-day trip!
  - Keep it girl-led: girls choose the location and activity (perhaps working toward a badge) and make plans for lunch.
  - Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form may be needed

### Day Trips
- Start with one night, maybe at a camp or museum. Progress to a weekend trip in a nearby city or state park.
- Keep it girl-led: girls plan key details of the trip, such as the activities, the budget, the route, and lodging.
- Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form needed; Additional insurance required

### Overnights
- Spend three to four nights away somewhere a few hours from home.
  - Keep it girl-led: girls plan the activity and meals, create travel games, and pack their own overnight bags.
  - Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form needed; Additional insurance required

### Regional Trips
- Travel the country! Trips often last a week or more. Girls should think beyond a typical vacation location and consider historical sites, museums, or parks!
  - Keep it girl-led: girls lead the entire planning process and might add a community service or Take Action project.
  - Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form needed; Additional insurance required

### National Trips
- Travel the world! These life-changing trips usually take one to three years to prepare. Consider visiting a WAGGGS World Center!
  - Keep it girl-led: girls download the Global Travel Toolkit and plan their entire trip (including learning about the language, culture, passports and visas, exchange rates, etc.).
  - Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form needed; Additional insurance required

### Independent Travel
- Older girls with national or international travel experience can travel nationally or internationally independently through GSNorCal travel opportunities or GSUSA’s Destinations program. Check with our GSNorCal Travel and Adventure webpage, or visit the Girl Scout Destinations website!
  - Forms: Trip or High-Adventure Form needed; Additional insurance required

### Girls should have experience at every level of the progression before moving on to the next level.

When moving up to each level of the progression, consider girls’ independence, flexibility, decision-making skills, group skills, and cross-cultural skills.