

Senior Trail Adventure Badge

Pillar: Outdoors

Outcomes: Seeks challenges and learns from setbacks

- 1. Choose your outdoor adventure
 - a. Kansas State Parks (be aware of temporary park closures) https://ksoutdoors.com/State-Parks/Locations
 - b. Missouri State Parks (be aware of temporary park closures) https://mostateparks.com/find-a-park
 - c. https://www.alltrails.com/us/missouri/kansas-city
 - d. For Virtual Tours of National Parks look here! http://bit.ly/2Wu7KiA
- 2. Plan and prepare
 - a. Map your your adventure
 - https://www.komoot.com/plan/@39.0169000,-94.3137000,9z
 - Note any landforms or obstacles you might encounter
 - b. Make a list of what you need for a day hike
 - c. Don't forget to check the weather!
 - d. Parents: depending on the level of hike, REI has great article resources to help you prepare for the adventure (https://www.rei.com/learn/expert-advice)
 - e. Learn the 7 principles of Leave No Trace
 - Plan ahead and prepare.
 - Travel and camp on durable surfaces (stay on the trail)
 - Dispose of waste properly
 - Leave what you find Take only pictures, leave on footprints
 - Minimize campfire impacts
 - Respect wildlife
 - Be considerate of other visitors
- 2. Gather your gear
 - a. Pack everything you need from your list in your day pack
 - Be sure to avoid overpacking and that you can carry your own pack
- 3. Set a goal and train for your adventure
 - a. How far do you want to go?
 - b. How fast do you want to go?
 - c. Set the goal to learn a new skill! Maybe how to use a compass, orienteering?
 - Bring a trash bag/plastic bag you want to recycle and pick up trash while you hike...
- 4. Go on your outdoor adventure
 - a. Practice a new skill while on the trail!
 - b. We might be social distancing, but that doesn't mean you can't enjoy nature!

When you are finished: Send a picture or video of your Girl Scout completing Step 4 to your *troop leader*. Congratulations, you have earned your badge!

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