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at Girl Scout Camp

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GIRL SCOUT TROOP CAMP 2018

# JOIN US AT TROOP CAMP!

There's no better place than Girl Scout Camp to bond with your girls and experience the outdoors **#likeagirlscout!**

Attending camp as a troop is a fantastic way for girls and adults to bond as a group, challenge themselves, support one another, and build new skills in the outdoors. Whether earning badges, working on a Journey, or relaxing together, Girl Scout troops have a blast at troop camp!

At troop camp, you and your girls will choose from a variety of camp activities like swimming, canoeing, kayaking, archery, challenge course, building campfires, and more. Our camp staff lead the activities, provide outdoor guidance, and coordinate meals and housing.

Adults are required to attend with each troop as chaperones for the duration of every session—no training or experience is needed.

To support your troop, please send along the required number of adult volunteers and/or troop leaders:

# of Girls	# of Required Adults*
1-8	2
9-12	3
13-16	4
17-20	5

\*Adult chaperones are required to have a current Girl Scout membership and an eligible background check. At least two adults must be unrelated.

We ask that you send the required number (not more, not less). This ensures that Safety-Wise supervision requirements are met and there are enough girl spots for the activities. If you'd like to discuss your specific troop's needs, please contact us.

For troop camp arrival and departure times, visit [Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/arrival-and-departure](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/arrival-and-departure).

*Grades listed are as of Fall 2018.*

 Denotes great for sixth grade and older       Denotes horse camp

## CAMP SAMPLERS FOR TROOPS

### CAMP SINGING HILLS

Introduce your troop to a camp experience during this session. Play games, do a nature activity, swim, craft, and explore. Choose between a day session and an overnight session—both are great options for first-time-at-camp troops.

#### Camp Sampler Day

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 1-4

**Duration:** 1 day (9:30 am-4:30 pm)

**Camp Singing Hills:** July 12, July 13, July 26, or July 27

**Member fee:** Girl = \$60; Adult = \$60

#### Camp Sampler Overnight

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 1-4

**Duration:** 1 day, 1 overnight (9:30 am-10 am the next day)

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 28-29, August 2-3

**Member fee:** Girl = \$95; Adult = \$95



# 1-DAY TROOP CAMPS

CAMP ELK RIVER | CAMP SINGING HILLS

## Your Mission: Recreation

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 1–5

**Duration:** 1 day (9:30 am–3:30 pm)

**Camp Elk River:** August 13, August 14, August 17, August 18

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 21, June 22

**Member fee:** Girl = \$45; Adult = \$45

Introduce your troop to classic camp activities during this day-long session. Spend your morning taking aim at the target as you learn about archery. After a lunch break, head to the lake to swim, snorkel, and log roll. Don't worry if you don't have any outdoor expertise—that's what our camp staff is for! They'll be there to provide instructions, lead the activities, and lifeguard. Adult chaperones are required to attend for the duration of the camp experience. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.

## Your Mission: Water Fun

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 4–12

**Duration:** 1 day (9:30 am–3:30 pm)

**Camp Elk River:** August 13, August 14, August 17, August 18

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 21, June 22

**Member fee:** Girl = \$45; Adult = \$45

Enjoy time with your troop exploring water! Spend your morning kayaking, boating, canoeing, and more on our waterfront. After a lunch break, go for a swim and try log rolling. Don't worry if you don't have any outdoor expertise—that's what our camp staff is for! They'll be there to provide instructions, lead the activities, and lifeguard. Adult chaperones are required to attend for the duration of the camp experience. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.

## Your Mission: Unplugged Fun

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 6–12

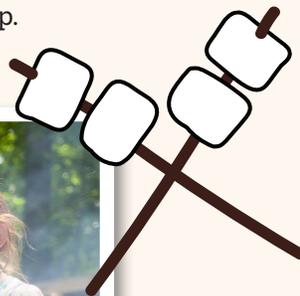
**Duration:** 1 day (9:30 am–3:30 pm)

**Camp Elk River:** August 13, August 14, August 17, August 18

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 21, June 22

**Member fee:** Girl = \$45; Adult = \$45

Get unplugged and work together to accomplish your goals face to face. Spend your morning doing team-building initiatives, trust games, and low ropes course elements. After a lunch break, you'll head over to the archery range to work on form, strength, and aim. Your teammates will cheer you on to get that elusive bullseye! Don't worry if you don't have any outdoor expertise—that's what our camp staff is for! They'll be there to provide instructions and lead the activities. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.



# MULTI-NIGHT TROOP CAMPS

CAMP LAKAMAGA | CAMP NORTHWOODS | CAMP SINGING HILLS

All of our multi-night troop camps offer:

- The opportunity to choose the activities your troop wants to do, from options like swimming, arts and crafts, canoeing, biking, and more
- A classic camp experience with your troop
- Free time for extra troop bonding and discovering all that camp has to offer
- An evening campfire (s'mores included!)

## Outdoor Extravaganza Weekend Troop Camp

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 2-6

**Duration:** 3 days, 2 nights (6:30 pm-10 am)

**Camp Lakamaga:** June 22-24, July 27-29

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 15-17, July 13-15, July 20-22, July 27-29, August 3-5

**Member fee:** Girl = \$130; Adult = \$130

Enjoy a classic camp experience with your troop during this action-packed weekend session. Your troop picks the activities you want to do during your stay including swimming, arts and crafts, canoeing, archery, biking, and more. Plus, you'll get free time for extra troop bonding and discovering all that camp has to offer. Our camp staff will lead all the activities, but adult chaperones are required to attend for the duration of the camp experience. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.

## Troop Weekend with Horses

 **Fall 2018 Grades:** 4-12

**Duration:** 3 days, 2 nights (6:30 pm-10 am)

**Camp Northwoods:** June 29-July 1, July 20-22, August 3-5

**Member fee:** Girl = \$165; Adult = \$130

Nothing brings a troop together faster than its love of horses. Learn the basics of horse equipment, anatomy, safety, and care, and discover equine-related jobs. Each troop will spend either one morning or afternoon at the barn, which includes 1.5 hours on the horse in the ring and on the trail. Adults will not ride. Adult chaperones are required to attend for the duration of the camp experience. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.

**Please note:** Transportation to Camp Northwoods from Camp Lakamaga is provided. Start and end times may vary if taking the bus to and from camp.

# 3-DAY TROOP CAMPS

CAMP SINGING HILLS

## Troop Camp Your Way

**Fall 2018 Grades:** 2-12

**Duration:** 3 days, 2 nights (2:30 pm-1:30 pm)

**Camp Singing Hills:** June 17-19, June 24-26, July 8-10, July 15-17, July 22-24, July 29-31

**Member fee:** Girl = \$145; Adult = \$145

Create your own troop adventure at camp! Camp staff will lead three activities each full day at camp and the rest of the activity times will be up to your troop to decide. You can choose from the following staff-led activities: canoeing, kayaking, low ropes, archery, geocaching, teambuilding games, log rolling, and outdoor skills. Troop-led activity times are planned by you and your troop and include things your girls want to do like working on badges and Journeys, going on a nature hike, doing scavenger hunts, or simply taking time to relax. All meals and snacks are provided. Adult chaperones are required to attend for the duration of the camp experience. See chart on page 1 or 5 for specifics on how many are required per troop.



# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

**Registration opens March 1, 2018.** Online registrations can be made at [Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org). You can also register by phone at 800-845-0787 or by completing a paper form (available upon request). Registrations are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis. Paper registration forms will be processed beginning on March 1 alongside phone registrations. Troop camp registration fees must be paid in full at the time of registration.

If you are paying by check, Cookie Credits, Fall FUNds, or a combination thereof, please submit your completed paper forms and payment by mail to:

**Girl Scouts River Valleys  
400 Robert Street South  
Saint Paul, MN 55107**

## TRANSFERS AND CANCELLATION POLICY

To transfer or cancel your camp session and receive a refund, we must receive written or verbal notice **at least 30 days prior** to the start of your camp session.

Refunds will not be issued for cancellations received less than 30 days prior to a camp session. Exceptions may be considered for emergency situations only.

## TROOP CARE PACKAGES

Care packages are a great way to add extra excitement to your troop camp experience and to provide your girls with mementos from the trip.

Here are a few care package tips for troop camp:

- Talk to parents about care package plans to avoid overlap in ordering (we've had some girls receive care packages from both their troop and their parents).
- Submit care packages orders together (purchase as a troop or facilitate parent orders) to ensure no girl is left out.

Details and order forms are available at:  
[Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/contact-your-camper](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/contact-your-camper).

## ACCESSIBILITY

Girls of all abilities—including those with disabilities and health concerns—are welcome and encouraged to register. Prior to registering, we recommend you contact us so we can make sure we are able to provide accommodations and adequate support for your troop's camp experience. Our staff can also help you choose the sessions that are best fit for your troop.

## COOKIE CREDITS

Put those Cookie Credits to good use—camp! Girls earn Cookie Credits when they sell Girl Scout Cookies. The more cookies sold, the more credits earned. All girls benefit from cookie sales, which help subsidize camp registration costs and pay for camp upkeep.

## DIETARY RESTRICTIONS AND ALLERGIES

Please contact us with any dietary restrictions or allergies of the adults and/or girls in your troop at least one month before camp by submitting an on-line form available at: [Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/contact-us](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org/contact-us).

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Participants who would like to request financial assistance to help pay for the cost of troop camp will need to register for the camp session by phone at 800-845-0787 with a \$25 deposit (this option is not available online). Families can then request assistance paying the remaining balance by submitting an online form at [GirlScoutsRV.org/financial-aid](http://GirlScoutsRV.org/financial-aid).

## CONTACT INFORMATION

[Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org)  
[Camps@girlscoutsrv.org](mailto:Camps@girlscoutsrv.org)  
800-845-0787

For all camp details, including health forms, arrival and departure times, what to pack, and more, visit:

[Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org)

# ACE YOUR CAMP REGISTRATION

## with these tips from the pros!

**Registration opens March 1, 2018.** Online registrations can be made at [Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org).

Camp sessions fill quickly, so if you and your troop have your eyes on a particular session, register as early as possible. Summer camp is a hot ticket!

You can register online (preferred method), by phone at 800-845-0787, or by completing a paper registration form (available upon request). Registrations are processed on a first-come, first-serve basis, and we do not have a wait list.

### PRO-TIP #1

Confirm that all of the girls in your troop are registered for the 2017-2018 year.

### PRO-TIP #2

Confirm that any of the adults who are planning to chaperone are registered for the 2017-2018 year and have an eligible background check. Please note that this can take a few weeks to process, so be sure to get this done as soon as possible!

### PRO-TIP #3

Log in to your eBiz (our event registration system) account at least a week before registration day (March 1, 2018).

This way, you can make sure that your password and profile information are correct, and that all of the girls in your troop are appearing on your roster. If you notice any inconsistencies or any changes that need to be made, make sure to give us a call at 800-845-0787 right away!

### PRO-TIP #4

Girls in your troop may be registered for resident camp. Check with your troop, and be sure to coordinate schedules with the other girls and troop leaders to ensure that your troop camp session of choice isn't on the same day(s) as your girls' resident camp session(s).

### PRO-TIP #5

Know how many adults you'll need to register. Make sure to reference this handy table:

# of Girls	# of Required Adults*
1-8	2
9-12	3
13-16	4
17-20	5

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# CAMP LIFE

## CAMP LOCATIONS

**Camp Singing Hills:** Near Waterville, MN (a 70-minute drive south of the Twin Cities), this camp is our dedicated troop camp facility, and specializes in outdoor skills and archery.

**Camp Elk River:** Located in Zimmerman, MN, this camp specializes in horseback riding and has a sand-bottom swimming pool. Limited troop camp opportunities are offered here.

**Camp Lakamaga:** Located in Marine on St. Croix, MN, this camp specializes in waterfront activities like boating, swimming, and fishing. Limited troop camp opportunities are offered here.

**Camp Northwoods:** Located in Mason, WI (One hour east of Duluth, MN), this camp specializes in horseback riding and outdoor adventures for older girls. Limited troop camp opportunities are offered here.

All of our locations are accredited by the American Camp Association—a mark of distinction ensuring safety and quality, and meeting the highest industry and government standards.

## HOUSING

Housing varies by camp, and includes yurts, cabins, platform tents, and troop houses. Troops are assigned to housing based on troop size, housing capacity, and age.

Yurts have bunk beds for 12, a domed skylight, and screened windows and doors. Platform tents have four beds and are heavy canvas with wooden floors. Four-season cabins have bunk beds, sleep eight campers, and have electricity.

Three-season cabins have two screened walls and sleep six campers. Sleeping accommodations have toilets (flush or latrine) within walking distance, and central shower houses are available for campers to use.

Troop Houses (Lakamaga and Northwoods only) sleep 20+ in bunk beds, have electricity, and contain indoor bathrooms.



## CAMP STAFF

The Girl Scouts River Valleys camp staff is made up of well-trained, fun, caring, experienced, and energetic individuals.

Camp staff come from all over the region, the country, and even around the world! Staff complete a minimum of 60 hours of pre-camp training. All camp staff are certified in first-aid and CPR and many staff have additional training and certifications. Certified lifeguards supervise all aquatic activities.



## MEALS

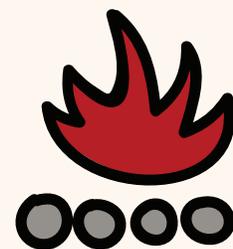
Nutritious, well-balanced meals are served family-style in the dining hall. Please contact us with any dietary restrictions or allergies at least one month before camp at [camp.girlscoutsRV.org/contact-us](http://camp.girlscoutsRV.org/contact-us).



## WORKING WITH MOTHER NATURE

We are here to support your girl and help her grow. Girl Scouts has over 100 years of experience providing camp for girls! That means we put safety first, and after all, our motto is “be prepared.” Campers learn all about weather emergency information. If the weather is unusually hot or cold, activities are changed to keep campers safe.

**Please note:** *Because of the unpredictability of weather, we are unable to guarantee that your troop will be able to do all the activities typically offered in a session.*



For more detailed information on the camp experience, our different camp amenities, and frequently asked questions, visit

[Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org](http://Camp.GirlScoutsRV.org)



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