

Bushcraft	<p>1. Practise tracking Learning to track animals will make sure you don't ruffle anyone's fur or feathers when you're looking for safe and practical camping spots out in the wild.</p> <p>You don't want to pitch your tent near sets of angry badgers, for example! Get outside – go to a wood, garden, park or to verges or public green spaces in your neighbourhood. Look for animal tracks and signs of life. Try to identify where animals live, but don't disturb them. Find and identify footprints, trails, fur and feathers. Record what you find and evaluate what indicators helped you identify and track animals and birds. How many species can you track in your local area?</p> <p>2. Make your own rope When you're out in the wild, it's handy to be able to make your own tools so you can build everything you need.</p> <p>Have a go at making your own rope or cord. Use long grass or natural materials to make a length. If you don't have access to natural resources, you can use recycled materials or old cloth. Once you've made your rope, put it to the test! Practise tying knots with it. Use your rope to lift or secure different objects. You could even create your own lasso challenge!</p> <p>3. Put your bushcraft skills to the test This final challenge will put all your bushcraft skills into action!</p> <p>Spend a night out camping, where you stay outside for at least 12 hours, and do 4 of the following bushcraft skills:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build and live in a shelter, tent or bivouac, made from natural resources. • Light a fire without using lighters or matches. • Cook on a fire or oven you made and lit yourself. • Whittle, make or thatch your own tools and cutlery. • Track and survey your camping area, and identify any natural hazards or risks. • Identify 10 different bird and animal tracks. • When scouting the area around your camp, navigate using only natural methods, such as making a sundial or stargazing. • Use different knots to make something useful for your camp
Festival goer	<p>1. Festival feast Festival tickets can break the bank, so you might need to fix up cheap meals while you're there.</p> <p>But it's not just price that's important, you'll want your food to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be quick and easy so you can spend your time having fun. • Not be perishable as you won't have a fridge. • Not need too many utensils because you'll have to carry them. • Give you lots of energy and keep you hydrated. <p>Come up with meal ideas for 3 days that fit these criteria. Be inventive – how can you make instant noodles more exciting or healthier? Then, move from plans to plates... practise cooking the meals you've come up with on the outdoor stove you'll be using at the festival.</p>

2. Prepare for festival fun

Get your belongings festival-ready!

Do 3 of the following:

- Make your own flower headbands.
- Spray-paint or decorate your wellies.
- Plan and practise face paint or decoration, or make a festival mask. Remember to take photos to show what you've done.
- Make a flag to attach on or near your tent so you can find it easily.
- Put together a festival fancy dress outfit, including an element of DIY clothing or decoration.
- Prepare in a different way of your choosing.

3. Go to a festival

Go to a festival and put your preparations into action!

You could go to an outdoor music event, commercial festival or a camping event from [the Girlguiding calendar](#).

Once you've been, think about your experiences. What would you do differently in the future? What could have made your experience more fun?

Gardening

1. Explore all the skills below:

- Make a planting calendar for the year
- Get to know your green space's soil and water needs and set a watering schedule
- Grow some plants from cuttings
- Discover sustainable way of reducing insects' impact on plants in your green space

2. Look up some sustainable guarding methods and try one, for example: start a compost heat or wormery, collect old bottles to make a watering device, grow your own food.

3. Plant and grow at least three different plants in your green space, or find something green to look after in the community.

Micro-adventures

1. Micro-adventures are often close to home. They pack the excitement of a big adventure into a smaller time frame, like an afternoon. Prepare for your micro adventure by learning a new skill that might be useful or practising one you already know, for example, firelighting, map reading, bike riding, hiking or first aid. Then teach your skill to another person.

2. Plan and go on a micro adventure, using the skill you practised in challenge 1. It could be a sunrise hike, urban exploration in an unfamiliar city, stargazing night, photography, walk, sunset picnic or something else.

3. Become a micro adventure guide and lead a different micro adventure with friends, family, or your unit. It could be a charity

	<p>shop, crawl, wildlife tracking, a tour of local statues, or a scavenger hunt. Make the experience special for the group.</p>
Travel	<p>1. Get planning What's your travel goal going to be for this badge? Could you travel in all 4 seasons, for example? Use a type of transport you've never been on before? Travel somewhere new?</p> <p>Your first task is to decide your goal – remember, it should be something challenging to you.</p> <p>You can travel with friends, family, your unit or alone. Go somewhere local, in the same country or abroad. It's up to you! Why not look at the Girlguiding calendar to see what's happening? Be adventurous!</p> <p>Make a plan taking into consideration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget • Route • Itinerary • Packing the things you'll need • Food • Playlists • Entertainment such as playing cards <p>2. Safety first Now it's time to get advice from your well-travelled friends.</p> <p>As well as hearing exciting stories from their trips, ask them what safety precautions they'd recommend for travelling. If possible, speak to someone who's already been to the place you're travelling to or done the activity you're planning to do.</p> <p>Back up what you find with safety information from other sources, like guide books and online reviews.</p> <p>Finally, collate your top safety tips, explain why you've chosen them, and display them creatively.</p> <p>3. Bon voyage Exciting times ahead! You're ready to go travelling. Have a great time away!</p> <p>Build up a record of your trip – you could take photos or videos, collect a couple of souvenirs, interview people or do some drawings, for example. Use them to make a scrap book, shadowbox or photo gallery.</p>
Wildlife	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Visit at least three different places and observe the wildlife. Create a picture guide of what you spotted. 2. Visit a wildlife spot on a dry day and again after it rains or even when it's raining. What differences can you spot? Go on a torch lit walk and a sunrise rise walk and compare the different wildlife in dark and light. Add what you find to your picture guide. 3. Choose your favourite location you visited so far and create your own nature documentary about the local wildlife there.