

## **Girl Scouts of Colorado** Colorado Parks & Wildlife patch

Girl Scouts of Colorado is excited to partner with Colorado state parks on events throughout the year such as Girl Scouts Love State Parks weekend held every fall. Now, Girl Scouts can earn a Colorado Parks & Wildlife patch by visiting Colorado state parks and fish hatcheries using the Colorado state parks passport book!

## How to Earn Patch:

You can earn this patch by visiting any <u>Colorado State Park</u> or hatchery and picking up a <u>Colorado state parks passport booklet</u> from the visitor center. The passport is free, but park entrance fees apply. At each park or hatchery you visit, you can record your park visits with unique stamps available at the visitor center.

Once you have visited your first park, purchase the main patch from the <u>Girl Scouts of Colorado shop</u>. As you continue to visit Colorado state parks and hatcheries, you can purchase additional rings marking your fifth, 10th, or even 15th location!

## Things to Do While at a Colorado State Park

- Work on an <u>outdoor badge</u>, or the <u>GSCO</u> <u>outdoor skills patch</u>
- Check out the park's website in advance for any upcoming ranger-led programs.
- Pick up a trail map from the park visitor center, take a hike, and work on your trail adventure badge for your Girl Scout level.
- Stay overnight at a state park campground and work on your camper badge.
- Plan a Highest Award or Take Action project around service to the park environment.
- Volunteer with an upcoming service project or volunteer day at the park.
- Practice your Leave No Trace skills.

## Things to Do While at a Colorado Fish Hatchery

- Go on a guided tour of the hatchery. Call ahead to schedule for a group tour.
- Learn more about how and why hatcheries raise fish.

- Pick up programming from the park visitor center. Activities vary by park, but may include:
- ¤ Adventures as a Young Naturalist activity book
- ¤ Junior Ranger booklets
- ¤ SOLE Nature Journal
- ¤ Agents of Discovery app
- ¤ Nature Scavenger Hunt cards
- ¤ Wildlife Discovery Pages
- ¤ Adventure Backpacks available for check-out
- Feed the fish and after visiting the hatchery learn how to fish! (Girl Scouts 16+ need to purchase a fishing license)



Questions? Email inquiry@gscolorado.org