



# Travel with GSEIWI

*Belize 2027*





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Senior Girl Experience Manager for  
GSEIWI (6.5 years)

- Planned/Hosted Approximately 6 trips with Girl Scouts
- First out of country trip: Girl Scouts Wider Opps (Now Destinations Travel)
- Beyond Girl Scouts travel: Scotland, Tanzania, Canary Islands, Amsterdam, Mexico, Canada, Bahamas



## Travel Progression



### Local Field Trip

Visit a nearby spot, possibly during your regular meeting time.

Recommended for:  
Daisy, Brownie

Minimum age:  
Daisy

### Day Trip

Plan an all-day trip. Try a council event or local attraction.

Recommended for:  
Daisy, Brownie, Junior

Minimum age:  
Daisy

### Overnight

Help Girl Scouts plan their first single overnight—maybe at a council event, camp, or nearby attraction.

Recommended for:  
Brownie, Junior

Minimum age:  
Daisy (with Day Trip experience in Girl Scouting)

### Short Trip

Spend two to three nights in your region, up to a six-hour drive away from home. Girl Scouts plan budget and schedule.

Recommended for:  
Junior, Cadette

Minimum age:  
Brownie (with Overnight experience in Girl Scouting)

### Extended Trip

Travel the country! Extended trips last four or more nights OR take place more than a six-hour drive from home.

Recommended for:  
Cadette, Senior, Ambassador

Minimum age:  
Junior (with Short Trip experience in Girl Scouting)

### International Trip

Travel the world! These life-changing trips usually take two to three years to save for, plan, and prepare.

Recommended for:  
Senior, Ambassador

Minimum age:  
Cadette (with Extended Trip experience in Girl Scouting)

### Individual Travel

Individual Girl Scouts can sign up for independent travel and meet new Girl Scout friends through council-offered travel opportunities or GSUSA's Destinations program.

Recommended for:  
Senior, Ambassador

Minimum age:  
Cadette (with Extended Trip experience in Girl Scouting)

When moving up to the next step, consider each Girl Scout's independence, ability to work well in groups, flexibility, and experience with cultures other than their own.

Through progression, Girl Scouts build skills to become lifelong travelers and global citizens. Girl Scouts take the lead in planning a new adventure at every level.



**Not  
JUST a  
trip!**



## **Learning through travel:**

Saving and Budgeting

Problem Solving

Taking responsibility for your actions

Break Stereotypes and Learn new  
Cultures

Spark new interests

Understand global impact of studies

Learn to adapt to life outside comforts  
of home



# **Life Lessons Learned through travel...**



**Life Lessons Learned  
through travel:**

**Everything  
does not go  
according to  
plan!**





Life Lessons Learned  
through travel:

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Travel allows  
you to make  
some of the  
greatest and  
most unique  
friends.





Life Lessons Learned through travel:

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Don't knock it if you  
have never tried it!



## Life Lessons Learned through travel:

Patience is a  
virtue,  
flexibility is  
key



Life Lessons Learned  
through travel:

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Doing  
something out  
of the ordinary  
helps you grow  
as a person.





Life Lessons Learned  
through travel:

It's about the  
journey, not  
the  
destination.





Life Lessons Learned  
through travel:

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Don't take  
anything for  
granted.



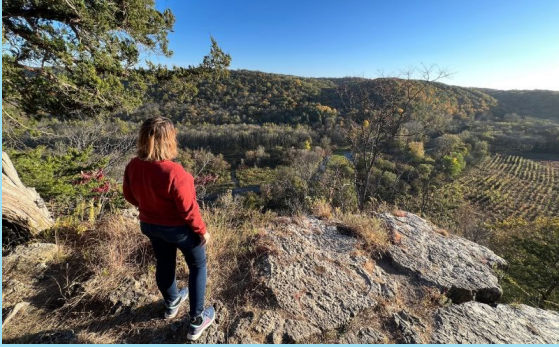


# Destinations



# Independent Travel Opportunities

[Girlscoutstoday.org/travel](https://girlscoutstoday.org/travel)



Iowa Backpacking  
August 2025



Washington DC  
July 2026



Ecuador and  
Galapagos  
June 2026



Belize  
June 2027



## Belize hosted by Explorica

Multilingual Tour Directors  
50+ years of travel experience  
Worldwide Network of Support  
Risk Management teams  
Local experts for destinations  
\*Need based scholarships available

## Hints for Enrollment

- Read the fine print carefully
- Enroll in plan's highest level of travel insurance
- Both plans may include additional school groups
- Easy Payment plans and fundraising sites
- **Girl Scout entering 8th grade the fall of 2027 are eligible to register!**

# BELIZE Conservation Adventure Summer 2027

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June 21, 2027-June 28, 2027



# Belize Conservation Adventure June 2027

\* \$4118.00/youth  
\$4558.00/adult

Jewel in the heart of the  
Caribbean basin!

\*amount will increase as date  
gets closer





# Belize Tour Itinerary

DAY 1 | Hello Belize City  
Meet your tour director  
and check into hotel

DAY 2 | Belize City  
landmarks

Lamanai Maya ruins full-  
day excursion: Boat ride  
along the New River  
Lagoon, Lamanai ruins  
guided visit



# Belize Tour Itinerary

DAY 3 | Belize--San  
Ignacio  
Travel to San Ignacio  
Maya ruins, canopy  
zipline & cave tubing  
excursion  
Night jungle hike



# Belize Itinerary

DAY 4 | Cayo District  
landmarks

Xunantunich Ruins  
guided visit

Mountain Pine Ridge  
Forest Reserve excursion





# Belize Itinerary

DAY 5 | San Ignacio--  
Ambergris Caye  
Belize zoo visit  
Travel by water taxi to  
Ambergris Caye



# Belize Itinerary

DAY 6 | Ambergris Caye  
Hol Chan Marine Reserve and  
Shark Alley snorkeling tour  
Mexico Rocks snorkeling tour





# Belize Itinerary

DAY 7 | Ambergris Caye  
Secret Beach visit  
Free time in Ambergris  
Caye

DAY 8 | End tour  
Travel by water taxi to  
Belize City



# Belize Conservation Adventure June 2027

Fee:

\*\$4118/youth

\*\$4558/adult

## What's Included:

- Roundtrip Airfare
- All on tour transportation
- Youth accommodations will be 3-4 to a room
- Adult accommodations 2 to a room (Single Upgrade Available)
- Breakfast, Lunch, and Dinner Daily
  - Meals on travel day(airports) paid by participant
- Full Time tour director and Fun time team builder: Me!
- Chaperones: 1 for every 6 participants
- All activity fees including Guided Belize Zoo Visit and Snorkeling
- On Tour Tipping
- Private Group Tour (with 15 persons participating)
- Travel Insurance (Protection Plan Plus with Cancel for any reason benefit)

## NOT included:

- Passport
- Travel to/from Cedar Rapids
- Spending money
- Snacks, and travel day meals



# Adult Travelers?

**YES!**

You want to have an adventure too.

You desire to meet new adults and experience the world with them.

You do not want to hang with your child to supervise them.

Your goal is to check in with your child at meals and support their growth.

**Please Consider NO!**

Your goal is to have a great mother/daughter, father/daughter bonding experience.

You do not feel your child is ready to take on this challenge and you want to help them.

It isn't safe for them to go anywhere without me.

My child doesn't want to room with someone else

# Tips for Paying for a trip!

Plan early to begin to save! Trip is 3 years out

Payment plans spread out cost: enroll early for best price

Talk with family about value/cost and how to include in budget

Ask for family donations in lieu of presents on family holidays

Bank program credit from Fall Product and Cookie Sales

Volunteer in Travel Fundraisers at Halloween/Journey the World events

Get a job: like babysitting, mowing lawns

Forgo “special” purchases for the 2 years

\$5,000 trip = 6,666 boxes of Girl Scout Cookies



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To register:

**Explorica.com**  
Enter Tour ID **Williams-2270**

Link also on [girlscoutstoday.org](http://girlscoutstoday.org) travel webpage