

GSCTX Traveler



Annual Travel Survey Results:

Thanks to everyone who took the time to fill out our Annual Travel Survey. We had 79 responses to this year's survey and saw a lot of great trip suggestions! Be on the lookout for trips to Washington DC, Florida, Yellowstone, Skiing/Snowboarding, Spain and Iceland. You also voted to offer another troop trip in 2021 and we are going to make that happen! Were you one of the many girls that is interested in the Choose Your Own Adventure weekend excursion? If so, you're in luck! That trip will be joining the line-up for 2019. All of these exciting opportunities will be added to our travel page, once the cost, dates and itineraries are confirmed.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are looking for volunteers to serve on our Council Travel Committee.

How many volunteers? 12 volunteers with a preferred 3 volunteers from each area.

Time involved? Monthly calls or more often if on a specific trip planning sub-committee.

How do we meet? Telephone conference calls.

Why? Girls who travel gain personal growth, improved language skills, intercultural development, and a worldly perspective, which offers a glimpse into the global community and prepares them to take their place as tomorrow's leaders.

What is the formula for GS success? Skills + Girl Potential + Experiences + Social Capital. Please help provide the social capital for Travel opportunities. Want to know more details about the committee? Please [contact us](#) with the subject "Travel Committee Interest".

Travel Talk



2017 Costa Rica Destination, by GSCTX Ambassador Katie H.

This trip was my first time out of the country and my first time navigating the airport by myself. So lots of firsts. When I landed in Costa Rica I was more than a little confused about where to go, but I got my bag and everything turned out fine. The one part of the trip I was nervous about was meeting the other girls. I'm very awkward when it comes to meeting new people. At the beginning, I didn't think it would work out with any of them but in the end we all got really close. The main part of the trip was backpacking and we left for the hike the second day we were there. It was hard going that first day. I've been backpacking before but I think any first day on the trail is hard. We also had time to relax at the beach and went boogie boarding which was so much fun. I have really enjoyed this experience. It has made my summer the best I've had in long time. It has opened my eyes to how lucky I am to be living in the States and to appreciate what I have. I eagerly look forward to my next adventure. See more pictures from my trip [here](#).

Travel Tips

Travel Advisory Changes & Travel to Our Cabaña: The U.S. State department has [changed the way it lists travel alerts and warnings](#), with new implications for travel to Mexico and Our Cabana. GSUSA is updating Safety Activity Checkpoints with this new guidance below – regarding travel to all countries:

Confirm the [travel advisory level](#) for the country via the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs.

Upcoming Trips & Deadlines

Deposit Deadline for these upcoming trips:

My Troop and I visit Big Bend, TX - March 10-17, 2019. Coordinator: Lisa Cairns. Estimated cost: **\$350 Deposit due by Dec. 1, 2018.** Juniors and up. This is a troop designed trip. Troops must provide the required adult and transportation to/from Camp Mitre Peak.

Incredible India - June 25-July 5, 2019. Coordinator: Allison Igo-Edwards. Estimated cost: \$2,900. **\$300 Deposit due by Dec. 1, 2018.** 14 years and up.