Sea Adventure, Our Cabaña

Cuernavaca, Mexico

Save the dates

November 8 - 16, 2018

Please note these dates are subject to change.



Who's eligible?

- → 15 girls aged 16-18 years old on the first day of the trip
- → 3 Guiders

To qualify for a Nationally Sponsored Trip, you must be a registered member of Girl Guides of Canada–Guides du Canada (GGC) and meet the Eligibility Requirements.

For Girls, keep in mind that in order to be eligible for this travel experience, you must be registered as a girl member at the time of the trip, fall 2018.

What you'll experience

Travel to Our Cabaña where you'll discover the culture and traditions of Mexico while helping to preserve the lives of endangered sea turtles!

You'll begin your journey in Toronto, where you'll participate in some great activities to get to know your fellow travellers. Then it's off to Mexico where your international adventure truly begins.

As soon as you arrive at Our Cabaña for your <u>Sea Adventure</u>, you'll be immersed in Mexican culture. You'll visit the ruins of Teopanzolco and enjoy an evening campfire. Next you'll head off to Acapulco where you'll have the incredible opportunity to volunteer at a Turtle Camp. At the camp, you'll release turtles into the sea, collect eggs, and help support the camp in other valuable ways. While in Acapulco, you'll also enjoy the beautiful beaches and get to explore the downtown area.

On your return to Our Cabaña, you'll explore downtown Cuernavaca, visiting the cathedral, museums and the craft market, and then celebrate the incredible week with a Mexican fiesta!

At the end of your journey, you'll fly back to Toronto for a debrief session where you'll reflect on your amazing experience before returning home.

Fundraising facts

The total value of this program is approximately \$5,365 per person.

Girls: Great news - GGC covers 50% of the total cost of the trip!

→ You will receive a financial subsidy of 50% of the total cost from GGC including domestic and international airfare,



accommodation, booking and program fees, tours and transfers, and medical and travel insurance.

- → You are encouraged to fundraise for the remainder of your trip costs. Refer to GGC's Fundraising Guidelines for information on how to fundraise for trips. As per the fundraising policy, all Girl members are expected to pay 10% of the trip cost unless there is financial need.
- You may be eligible for travel grants from your province, area, unit, etc. It is recommended that you contact your council to inquire about this potential funding.
- → You will be financially responsible to pay for the remaining 50% of the trip cost prior to trip departure.
- → You will also be responsible for incidental costs over and above the listed trip expenses, such as passport fees, travel to and from your local airport, personal spending money, etc. Incidental costs cannot be covered through fundraising.
- If you need to cancel for any reason other than illness or a family emergency, you will be responsible for covering any fees/charges incurred by GGC.

Guiders: Your trip is fully funded through the Jean Youngson Memorial Bequest to the Canadian World Friendship Fund.

- This subsidy includes domestic and international airfare, accommodation, booking and program fees, tours and transfers and medical and travel insurance.
- You will be responsible for incidental costs over and above the listed trip expenses, such as passport fees, travel to and from your local airport, personal spending money, etc.
- → Fundraising by adult members is not permitted as per GGC's fundraising policy.

GGC reserves the right to cancel and/or reschedule trips as required. Also note that participation in this event by GGC members is dependent on acceptable health and safety conditions in the country at the time of the event. If a trip is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, GGC will not accept responsibility for expenses incurred in preparation for this event.

Ready, set, apply!

Before beginning your application, please review the <u>Application Instructions</u> and check out the <u>Top Tips</u> for support. These two documents will help prepare you to complete your application.

Once you're ready, visit the Nationally Sponsored Trips web site to apply!

Applications must be completed and submitted online by 5:00pm EDT on Monday, October 30, 2017.

Questions? Email us: nationaltravel@girlguides.ca