

## Girl Scouts Hispanic Heritage Month Fun Patch Activities



## Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration "¡Yo soy una Girl Scout!" Fun Patch

During Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15–October 15), we celebrate the countless contributions that Hispanic people and Latinos have made and continue to make in the United States. We honor the cultural richness of all people in the U.S. whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean, and Central and South America. Girls and leaders have plenty of activities to choose from to earn this Fun Patch. And regardless of their specific ethnic heritage, they're sure to learn interesting new things.

## Number of activities required to get the patch:

Daisy (3) • Brownie (4) • Junior (6) • Cadette (8) • Senior (10) • Ambassador (12)

Theme	Activities
Art	<ol> <li>Learn a Hispanic or Latin dance (try salsa, merengue, flamenco, or tango!) then teach it to your friends or family.</li> <li>Make a music playlist featuring 10 different artists from 10 different Hispanic countries. Share the list (and some info about the artists) around!</li> <li>Choose three styles of Hispanic music (mariachi, salsa, bolero, etc.), and identify the countries of origin and other interesting details.</li> <li>Make maracas—percussion instruments that are native to Cuba, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela. Decorate paper bags with paint, fill them with dried rice, and fasten with a rubber band. Then, shake away!</li> <li>Virtually visit the Smithsonian Latino Center.</li> <li>Draw or paint three flags from the 21 countries generally included in Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations.</li> <li>Learn about a Hispanic artist and find an image of an art piece of their creation that speaks to you in some way. Share with others!</li> </ol>
Community Traditions (food, folklore)	<ol> <li>Find a recipe you can make with your friends or family that originates in one of the 21 countries generally included in Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations. Then make and enjoy it and talk about its origin!</li> <li>Research three ingredients that are prominent in Latin American cuisines and share the info with your friends or family.</li> <li>Learn about a famous Hispanic chef. Share your learning with others!</li> <li>Learn and educate friends or family about folklore styles from three different Hispanic countries.</li> <li>Focusing on one or more of the Indigenous communities of Latin America, learn about their role in creating recipes many of us enjoy today (e.g., hot chocolate). Share your newfound knowledge around!</li> </ol>
Discovery (deeper learning)	<ol> <li>Learn about the differences between the term Hispanic and Latino/a.</li> <li>Discover all you can about Our Cabaña: its history, location, style, and the programs offered. Share it with your friends.</li> <li>Sing "Our Cabaña Song" at three Girl Scout gatherings. Try it in Spanish.</li> <li>Visit the Library of Congress's National Hispanic Heritage site and attend a featured exhibit or tune into a program. Then create art (in any form!) inspired by what you learn.</li> <li>Ask a family member or friend of Hispanic or Latin American ancestry about their</li> </ol>

18. Read a short story by a Latino or Hispanic author.

parts. Note that each hour watched counts as one activity.

19. Learn the Girl Scout Promise and Law in Spanish. Try committing it to memory! 20. Watch an episode of *Latino Americans* on PBS—a six-hour documentary series in three