



**Imagine  
you're  
camping  
outside...**

**Camp in  
your garden,  
in your  
bedroom,  
under the  
kitchen  
table,  
wherever  
you want.  
Make hot  
chocolate,  
have  
s'mores, and  
have fun!**

**The Irish Girl  
Guides'**

**Camping  
Challenge**



Irish Girl Guides (IGG) is inviting all our members, young and old, to get involved in our big IGGCampAtHome on Saturday 18 April, 2020. What does the IGGCampAtHome involve? We have created some fun camp challenges for you to do, all from the comfort of your own home. Camping is an important part of the Guiding experience, no matter your age. We begin to teach the skills of camping as soon as your girl joins when they are five years old and throughout their time with us. Skills including independent living skills – resilience, confidence, hard work, teamwork and many more, which all support our girls growth and development. We also have great fun doing it!

**We hope you will join us this weekend. Please share pictures and videos on your social media with the hashtag #IGGCampAtHome and/or PM us on Facebook @irishgirlguides and/or email your photos and videos to [communications@irishgirlguides.ie](mailto:communications@irishgirlguides.ie).**



**Don't forget to join us at 7.00pm around your campfire, as we sing songs and eat marshmallows with our Guiding sisters across Ireland!**



# The Challenges

## **PUT ON YOUR UNIFORM!**

Dig out the girl's uniform from the wardrobe, put it on and you are good to go! Then complete all or part of the activities below. In fact, do any activity that everyone in the family will enjoy. Allow your girls to take the lead. They might have a favourite game from their meetings they want to share with you and have you all play together. They may have a favourite song, learn it with them. One of the greatest things about Guiding is that it allows us all to find our inner child and have fun, so let the fun commence!



## FOOD AND DRINK

What's on your camp menu?

Don't forget to include having s'mores at your campfire later, possibly the most delicious camp food! Toast some marshmallows and when soft and squishy place it between two chocolate digestive biscuits and enjoy. Don't like the biscuits – toast your marshmallow anyway. If you don't have a campfire, you can toast your marshmallows over a tea light. The end of a camping day always includes hot chocolate so plan to have some at your campfire. Not sure how to make a s'more? Check out our YouTube Channel! Don't forget to send us pictures of what you make!

# Scavenger hunt!

## SPRING SCAVENGER HUNT

Go outside and see how many of the following you can see: a rock, a daffodil, a feather, a bud on a tree, your breath, an Ant, a worm.

## INDOOR SCAVENGER HUNT

Can you find the following: a toy with wheels, a pair of matching socks, a book with the first letter of your name in the title, 4 things that are green, something very soft, something round, 5 legos that are different, an item that makes you feel cozy, your snuggliest stuffed animal.

## ALPHABET SCAVENGER HUNT

Can you find 26 objects in your house that correspond to the letters of the alphabet? Sounds tricky, but we know you can do it!

CHOOSE TO COMPLETE ONE, OR EVEN ALL THREE – DON'T FORGET TO PUT EVERYTHING BACK WHERE YOU FOUND IT!

We would love to see a photo of you on your Scavenger hunt!



Time to figure out where you are sleeping tonight. Are you going to build a den in your bedroom? Are you all going to camp in a den in your sitting room? If you have a tent do you know how to put it up? Is the tent going inside or outside?

What else will you need for your shelter? A sleeping bag, pillow, torch and teddy bear? Lots of decisions to be made. We can't wait to see what you come up with!

# Campfire Songs

Campfire is a very special time at any overnight trip for our members. It is great fun, allows all our members to join in and find their voice. There is no such thing as a 'bad singer' at campfire. Everyone uses their voice, and together a powerful sound is created. We have lots of campfire songs on our YouTube account. Our girls all know a number of those songs. Visit our YouTube page to learn some and sing along.





# Making a campfire!

It would not be camp without a campfire. You can be as creative as you want. Depending on the situation we are in sometimes we have to be creative and this is no different.

- Can you make a campfire that you can eat?
- Can you make a campfire using craft materials and recycled materials?
- Make a real campfire

# Making a campfire!

You can find some more inspiration for your indoor campfire on the North West region's Pinterest page!

**Fire Safety:** Don't forget if you are having a real campfire you always need to be careful lighting a fire, camping stove or using a candle to make your s'more.

Don't forget to join in at 7.00pm in our Campfire with every other unit across the country as we sing our campfire songs. Whether you are joining in with your unit virtually or doing it in your own family unit, let your voice join in with the rest of our 11,000 Leaders and girls across Ireland



# Let's Get Crafty!

## **LADYBIRDS – MY FIRST LADYBIRD CAMP**


Draw or paint a picture of your first Ladybird camp experience!

## **BROWNIES – ORIGAMI BOOKMARKS**

All you need is a piece a paper and some clever folding to create origami bookmarks! Check out the North West Region's Pinterest page for inspiration!

## **GUIDES – MAKE A MINIATURE CAMPSITE OR SOME T-SHIRT BRACELETS**

You can find a guide to making t-shirt bracelets on the North West Region's Pinterest page! It's a great way to recycle some old t-shirts!





# Camp Games!

## LADYBIRDS AND BROWNIES Sunshine and Showers

Leader calls out:

- Sunshine – children stand still
- Showers – children run about
- Thunder – stamp feet loudly on the ground
- Rainbow – come together to form a rainbow shape
- Fog – grab hold of the nearest person to you, so you don't get lost in the fog.

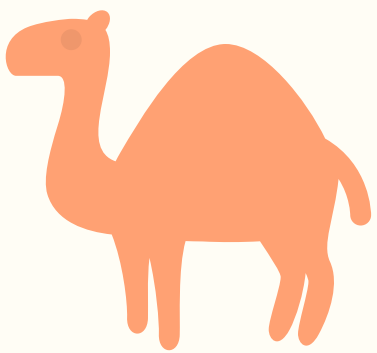
No one needs to be “out” in this game – It's just to let off steam. You can switch who is the leader, so everyone gets a chance.



# Guide Games



This game is perfect to play in your family with any of our age groups. The older the girls, the more difficult the shadows can be!



Grab a torch or lamp and see what shapes you can create! Can you make a reindeer, a camel, a dog or a Butterfly? What other animals can you create?



Do take photos along the way. Share those photos either by:

- Adding them to social media using the hashtag #IGGCampAtHome
- Email them to [communications@irishgirlguides.ie](mailto:communications@irishgirlguides.ie)
- Email / WhatsApp or share them with your Leaders

**Thank you for getting involved and supporting your daughter in Guiding!**

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