Looking For a SCOUT trip?
How does meeting a loggerhead sea turtle, learning to canoe, holding a hermit crab, and exploring the marsh sound?

4-H Tidelands Nature Center offers exciting outdoor programs for scout groups that can also help your Boy or Girl Scouts earn Merit Badges and Activity Patches!

Note: Tidelands itself cannot award scout badges, and some badges have requirements that cannot be completed in one day. Contact us for more information about how Tidelands programs can help you scouts meet their goals.

These are a few Patch or Badge requirements that can be met during a visit to Tidelands:

**Girl Scouts**

**Water Drop Patch**

Requirement examples:
2. Visit a U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) or a locally protected wetland.
7. Visit a local aquarium or a natural history museum to see specimens of aquatic life.

This nationally recognized patch has variable requirements for different ages of Girl Scouts. Some activities can also count towards other Wildlife and Ecology Girl Scout badges.

**Coastal Georgia Patch**

Cadette/Senior/Ambassador  Junior  Brownie  Adult

Requirement Example: 1. Discover the wonderful wetlands along our coast; where Georgia meets the Atlantic. Visit or arrange to take a tour along one of Georgia’s beaches or through a salt marsh to learn about these fascinating and important environments.

All the requirements for the Coastal Georgia Patch can be completed during a day of programs with Tidelands. Activities vary by age level – a great patch for all Girl Scouts.

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Boy Scout Merit Badges — listed by each badge is an example of a requirement that could be met at Tidelands Nature Center — many more are possible, contact us for details about our exhibits and programs.

Astronomy
9.b. Plan and participate in a three-hour observation session that includes using binoculars or a telescope.

Bird Study
7.a. Go on a field trip with a local club or with others who are knowledgeable about birds in your area.

Canoeing
9. Wearing the proper PFD and appropriately dressed for the weather and water conditions, demonstrate solo canoe handling

Nature
4. Do all the requirements in FIVE of the following fields:
   c. Reptiles and Amphibians
e. Fish
   f. Mollusks and Crustaceans
g. Plants

Oceanography
7.a. Make a plankton net*. Tow the net by a dock, wade with it, hold it in a current, or tow it from a rowboat. Do this for about 20 minutes. Save the sample. Examine it under a microscope or high-power glass. Identify the three most common types of plankton in the sample.

Plant Science
5. Plant Conservation Organization Visit
c. If possible, visit a nature preserve managed by the organization. Tell about land management activities such as controlled burning, or measures to eradicate invasive (nonnative) plants or other threats to the plants that are native to the area.

Reptile & Amphibian Study
1. Describe the identifying characteristics of six species of reptiles and four species of amphibians found in the United States. For any four of these, make sketches from your own observations or take photographs. Show markings, color patterns, or other characteristics that are important in the identification of each of the four species. Discuss the habits and habitats of all 10 species.
Webelos Scouts

Naturalist Activity Badge
4. Visit a museum of natural history, a nature center, or a zoo with your family, Webelos den, or pack. Tell what you saw.

Cub Scouts

Wildlife Conservation Pin
1. Visit a wildlife sanctuary, nature center, or fish hatchery.
7. Visit with a person who works in wildlife conservation, such as a park ranger, biologist, range manager, geologist, horticulturist, zookeeper, fishery technician, or conservation officer.
8. Visit a state park or national park.