

Arkansas History Patch Program

NOTE: Numbers 1 AND 2 are Required!!!

All Ages must do at least one service project at their local state park

Example: Raking leaves, picking up trash, etc....

Contact the Parks Administrator beforehand

Ages 7-11 – Do 7 including the two required.

Ages 12-14 – Do 11 including the two required.

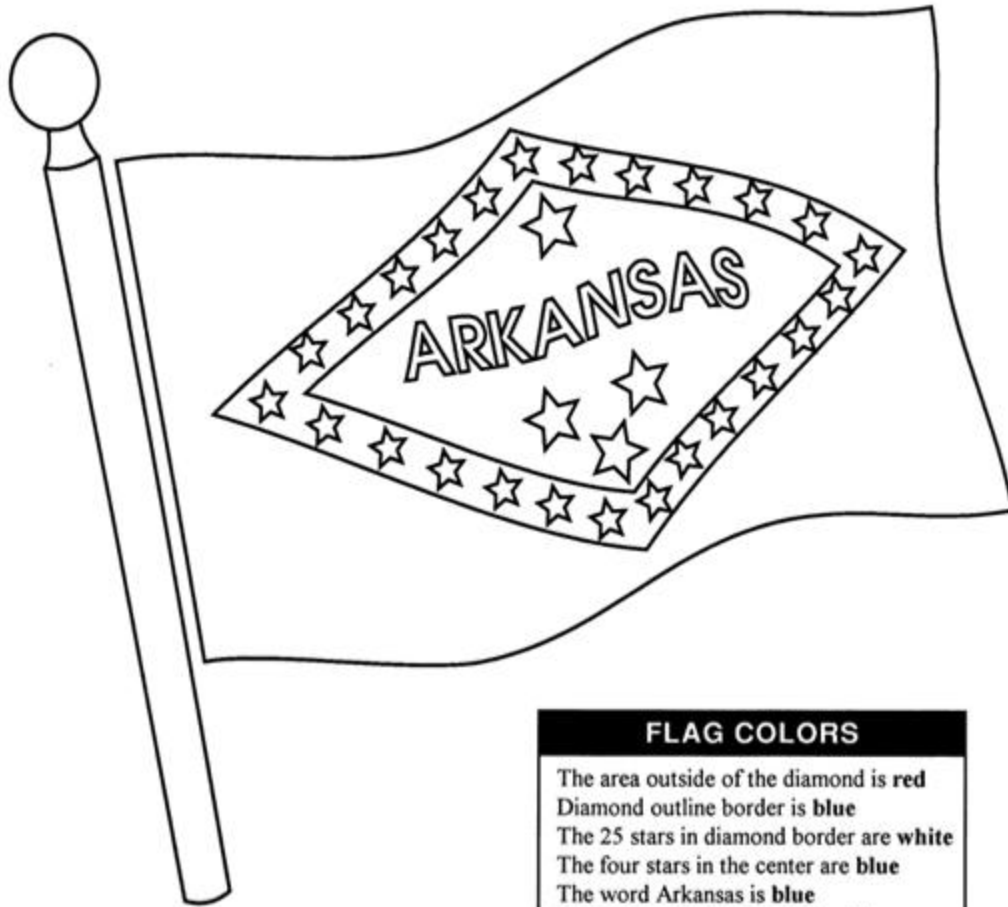
Ages 15-18 – Do 15 including the two required.

Adults can earn the patch for helping a child earn the patch.

1. Arkansas has had many different flags before the current state flag.
Ages 7-11 Color the current state flag and research what it first looked like.
Ages 12-14 Who was the designer of the current state flag? Why did they choose this design?
Ages 15-18 Who all was on the committee to choose the first state flag? When was the committee formed? When did we officially adopt the first state flag?
(<http://users.aristotle.net/~russjohn/history/flag.html>)
2. The state legislature designated several things to be the symbols of Arkansas.
Find out the state's:
Flower Bird
Tree Gem
Insect Fruit/Veggie
Instrument Beverage
Mammal Rock
Mineral Folk Dance
Cooking Vessel Songs
Nickname Motto
Dinosaur Butterfly
Ages 7-11 Find out about 7
Ages 12-14 Find out about 11
Ages 15-18 Find out about all 18
3. Everyone in Arkansas knows about "The RAZORBACK"!!!! What is a razorback and what does it have to do Arkansas? Find out why the University of Arkansas chose the razorback as their mascot.
4. Arkansas, ever wondered what the name means or why they chose it? Who named the state? What does the word "Arkansas" mean?
5. What is on the state seal of Arkansas and why?
6. Did you know Wal-Mart was founded here in Arkansas? Visit Wal-Mart's visitor center in Bentonville OR go online and find out more about Sam Walton, the founder of Wal-Mart.
(<http://walmartstores.com/GlobalWMStoresWeb/navigate.do?catg=5>)
7. What city is called "The Rice and Duck Capital of the World"? (Hint: it's here in Arkansas)
8. The Civil War was fought in all parts of Arkansas. What was so special about Historic Washington State Park during the Civil War? If possible visit a Civil War memorial site or museum, or go online and see how the battles fought here affected the War. (<http://www.civilwarbuff.org/index.html>)

9. The Ozark region of Arkansas has some amazing history. Visit the Shiloh Museum located in Springdale.
10. Arkansas has many caves. Visit one of these eight caves and write down two things you have learned, Blanchard Springs, Bull Shoals, Cosmic, Hurricane River, Mystic, Onyx, Old Spanish Treasure and War Eagle. Also find out about the famous Arkansas cave house, located in the Ozark Mountains, where you can host a wedding, dance or reunion inside an actual cave!
(<http://www.arkansas.com/things-to-do/caves/>)
11. Arkansas has the only public Diamond Park that lets visitors take home whatever they find. Visit the Crater of Diamonds State Park and see what you can find!
(www.CraterOfDiamondsStatePark.com)
12. Toad Suck Daze is an annual fund raising event that started in 1981 and raises money for college scholarships and charitable organizations and is held the first weekend of May. If you can, plan to visit while it's going on. Check out the toad races, musical performances, arts and crafts and various other events. (<http://www.toadsuck.org/>)
13. Arkansas has six National Parks sites: Arkansas Post National Memorial, Buffalo National River, Fort Smith National Historic Site, Hot Springs National Park, Little Rock Central High School National Historic Site, and Pea Ridge National Military Park. Visit one close to you OR if you cannot physically visit one of the parks go online (www.NPS.gov) and research three of them.
14. Pine Bluff has over 10 wall murals. Locate at least three and find out their history. Share your findings with others. Example: Take pictures to show and tell the story of the mural while people are looking at the picture.
15. The Old Mill in North Little Rock has been around since the 1930's and is visited everyday by people of all ages. It's also in the film "Gone With the Wind." Visit the park and for fun try and act out some of the scenes from the film.
16. Arkansas has many mountains whose activities include camping, hiking, workshops with park interpreters and many other opportunities. Visit www.mountainstateparks.com and plan a family trip or a group camping trip.
17. Former President William J. "Bill" Clinton is from Arkansas. Find out where he was born, raised and now lives. How many years was he Governor of Arkansas? How many years was he President of the United States? If possible, visit the William J. Clinton Presidential Library.
18. The Arkansas Game and Fish Commission have built three large nature centers in Arkansas. If possible, visit one closest to you.
 - Mike Huckabee Delta Rivers Nature Center in Pine Bluff
 - Forrest L. Wood Crowley's Ridge Nature Center in Jonesboro
 - Janet Huckabee Arkansas River Valley Nature Center in Fort Smith
19. Everyone has heard of Tyson Foods, but not everyone knows that it was started here in Arkansas. Why did people start Tyson Foods? What's so important about chicken farming?
20. Norfolk National Fish Hatchery in Mountain Home is the largest federal trout hatchery in the US. There is also a fishery in Greer's Ferry. Take a trip to one of these OR learn more about why it's necessary to have fish hatcheries.

21. There were five Native American Tribes which lived in Arkansas. List three of them and draw an Arkansas map and show the part of the state in which these tribes lived. The Native Americans who lived in Arkansas had moved out of the state by the time of the 1830s Trail of Tears, yet Arkansas played a pivotal role in the Trail of Tears. Learn about Arkansas's role in The Trail of Tears. Draw a map of Arkansas showing the several routes of the Trail of Tears that went through the state.
(<http://www.historystateparks.com/trail-of-tears/>)
22. Mount Holy Cemetery is the resting place of many Arkansas's most prominent people. Ten former governors, six U.S. senators, Confederate spy David O. Dodd and Pulitzer Prize-winning poet John Gould Fletcher. Visit the cemetery and pick two people to research OR research two of them online.
23. Find out about the Little Rock Central High School Crisis and why it was nationally publicized.
24. Did you know the Ivory Billed Woodpecker was discovered alive here in Big Woods, Arkansas? What's so special about this bird? Why did we believe it was extinct?
25. Hot Springs is known for its Natural "Hot" springs and spa's. There are also many museums/nature walks and parks. Plan a trip to visit this amazing city. Tour the Hot Springs National Park visitor center, the Fordyce Bathhouse, and complete their Junior Ranger program booklet.
26. The Little Rock Zoo has been around since 1926. It is the only nationally accredited zoo in Arkansas. Visit the website and plan a visit. You can plan a Zoo Snooze where you stay overnight at the zoo and do a lot of animal activities OR you can plan a day trip and work on the Junior Zoo Keeper Patch.
(<http://www.littlerockzoo.com/>)



FLAG COLORS
The area outside of the diamond is **red**
Diamond outline border is **blue**
The 25 stars in diamond border are **white**
The four stars in the center are **blue**
The word Arkansas is **blue**
The inside of the diamond is **white**

Flower _____ Bird _____

Tree _____ Gem _____

Insect _____ Fruit/Veggie _____

Instrument _____ Beverage _____

Mammal _____ Rock _____

Mineral _____ Folk Dance _____

Cooking Vessel _____ Songs _____

Nickname _____ Motto _____

Dinosaur _____ Butterfly _____

* Answers to all questions can be found online or by visiting the places.

* Write answers for other questions on a separate sheet of paper.



PATCH ORDERING INSTRUCTIONS

Patches may be ordered through the Ouachita Girl Scout Council Office for \$5.00 each.

Please fill in form below and mail to:

**Ouachita Girl Scout Council
 c/o Arkansas History Patch
 615 West 29th Street
 North Little Rock, AR 72114**

For questions please contact Sally Anderson, (501) 758-1020 ext. 228

I certify that my child/daughter/son/group/troop completed the necessary requirements to earn this patch.

I would like to purchase _____ number of Arkansas History Patches at \$5.00 each.

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| Please make checks payable to: GSOC Visa / MasterCard Exp date _____ _____ |
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| Shipping costs: 1-10 patches = \$1.00 11+ patches = \$2.00 |
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Total number of Patches _____

Shipping (see chart) _____

Total _____

Please send my patch(es) to:

Name

Street Address

City

State

Zip