

SHARE YOUR **magic** CHALLENGE 2024

HEY GIRL SCOUTS!

Get ready for a magical cookie season! This year's cookie mascot, Lottie the Axolotl, is ready to help you discover all the amazing things that you can do. Did you know that the feathery shapes on an axolotl's head are its gills? Or that the axolotl can regenerate lost limbs? As you learn about Lottie and her friends, you can also discover what magical skills you possess that make you unique! You can also use your talents and magic to help axolotls and other creatures, as well as make the world a better place, by just being you!

Discover: Learn all about Lottie and her fellow axolotls and find out what makes them unique.

Connect: Make connections between the special magic of the axolotl and the unique things about you, your hometown, and your local environment.

Take action: Make the world a better place by sharing your talents and learning with others.

To complete the Share Your Magic patch program, you'll need to complete a certain number of activities from each section. Details by grade level below—let's go!

DAISIES:

Complete 1 activity
from each section



BROWNIES AND JUNIORS:

Complete 2 activities
from Discover and
Connect and 1 from
Take Action



CADETTES, SENIORS, AMBASSADORS:

Complete 3 activities
from Discover and
Connect and 1 Take
Action



Discover

- ▲ Watch GSGI's Virtual Cookie Kickoff video to learn more about axolotls and how you can share your magic.
- ▲ Read about axolotls: [Mexican Axolotl \(nationalgeographic.com\)](https://www.nationalgeographic.com)
- ▲ Discover axolotl fun facts: [23 Axolotl Facts For Kids | Deep Sea World](#)
- ▲ Research the axolotl's natural wetland habitat, Lake Xochimilco in Mexico.
- ▲ There are very few axolotls left in the wild. Do some research and find out how scientists and farmers are helping the axolotl regain its lost habitat.

Connect

- ▲ Talk to a naturalist or other expert about Iowa's wetlands and why they are important.
- ▲ Axolotls are amphibians. Investigate what amphibians live in your area.
- ▲ The word "axolotl" means "water dog" or "water monster" in Nahuatl, the Aztec language. What does your name mean? Find out its unique meaning or origins.
- ▲ Like the axolotl's habitat, the place where you live is also unique! Visit or learn about something that is unique to your hometown or area.
- ▲ Axolotls are able to regenerate limbs—that's almost like magic! Make a list of your special skills or talents.

Take action

- ▲ Share what you have learned about axolotls, amphibians, or wetlands to educate others! Make a video, infographic, poster, or other project to share what you have learned.
- ▲ Make a plan with your family or troop for ways to conserve water or reduce water pollution.
- ▲ Make an "all about me" poster or other project of your choice to share your name's meaning, your skills, and your magic with others.
- ▲ Teach a friend or family member about your favorite hobby, then learn about theirs.
- ▲ Have a talent show with your family or troop, where each person shares their favorite skill or hobby.
- ▲ Share some culinary magic and make a special meal together with your family or troop. Try something you have never made before!

