

June Patch of the Month

Girl Scouts Dig Kentucky Farms





About Patch of the Month

Looking for some additional fun activities for your troop or just to do on your own? Each month, girls can discover, connect, and Take Action in a specific subject area. Hands-on activities are available for all Girl Scout levels and can be done at meetings, as a pre-meeting activity, or as an athome project.

Patch of the Month programs provide Girl Scouts an opportunity to enjoy a variety of activities while earning a fun patch. Patch programs are available to Girl Scouts of all grade levels. Completing patch programs can help complete a Journey and may satisfy requirements for certain badges. It's not necessary to complete the patch programs in the months specified—they can be completed at any time! All fun patches are placed on the back of the vest or sash.

Patch of the Month Evaluation

Once you have completed the program activities, please be sure to fill out the <u>Patch of the Month Evaluation</u>.

How to Order Patches

Visit the GSK Shop in-person or use the GSK Shop Order Form by clicking <u>here</u> to purchase your patch for \$2.00 each!

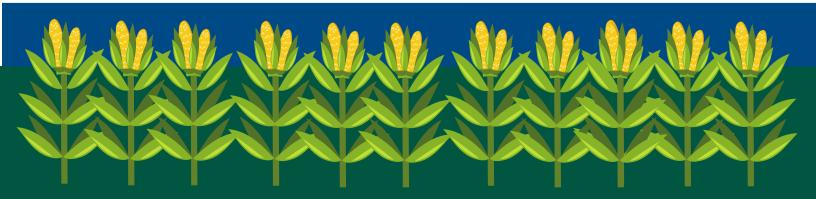
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For generations, Kentucky farmers have kept families fed here at home and across the country. Farming isn't easy, but it is very important to our state. As the official agricultural marketing brand of the Commonwealth with the Department of Agriculture, Kentucky Proud connects consumers (those who buy products) who are eager to find the very best from Kentucky farms with local farm businesses and quality products.

Hannah Edelen, Miss Kentucky 2022, serves as the Official Spokesperson for Kentucky Proud! As a believer in the Girl Scouts and their mission, she believes connecting the Girl Scouts to Kentucky *Proud* provides young scouts with agricultural education, the opportunity to promote locally grown products, and the chance to participate more closely with their local farms. By earning the Inaugural "Kentucky Proud: Girl Scouts Dig Kentucky Farms" patch, Girl Scouts are taking part in what it means to be Kentucky Proud.





Steps to Earn Your Kentucky Proud Patch

1. Complete activities from Discover, Connect, and Take Action sections. 2. Order your patch!

Discover:

- 1. Read about the history of the Kentucky Proud program and how reaching consumers through marketing helps Kentucky's farm families: <u>https://kyproud.com/who-we-are</u>
- 2. Learn about Agriculture! All Kentucky counties as well as counties in Indiana have agriculture extension offices that help the farming community. Visit your local extension office and learn about agriculture where you live.
- 3. Visit Kentucky Proud on social media. Agriculture changes a lot depending on the weather and season. See what's happening on farms around the Commonwealth by visiting Kentucky Proud's Facebook and Instagram pages.

Connect:

- 1. Visit a Kentucky Proud Farm! There's a lot to see on a working farm. Some farms grow crops, others raise animals, and some farms even invite people to visit. Agritourism is defined as the act of visiting a working farm or any agricultural. At Kentucky Proud we like to call it, Kentucky Farms Are Fun! And farm tourism is a terrific way to explore Kentucky while supporting our hardworking farm families. Find a local farm to explore by visiting: https://kyproud.com/programs/farms-are-fun
- 2. Tell a friend about Kentucky Proud. It's fun to share what you've learned with a friend and there's a lot to share about Kentucky Proud and how farming works.
- 3. Visit a Farm to Table Restaurant! Many local restaurants want to use the freshest local ingredients so they can make the tastiest food possible. Enjoy a great meal with your family at a Kentucky Proud Buy Local restaurant and be sure to order something made with farm-fresh ingredients: <u>https://kyproud.com/programs/buy-local</u>

Take Action:

- 1. Write a farmer a thank-you card. Farmers work hard to feed us and put clothes on our backs. Find a local farm and let them know how much you appreciate them by sending a thank-you card!
- 2. Create your own Kentucky Proud Recipe. Cooking with local ingredients is fun. Not only do you get to spend time with your family, you're learning to do something that'll help you throughout life.
- 3. Plant your own crop, flower, etc. Have you ever planted something and watched a little seed turns into a plant? It's fun, rewarding, and can be done in your yard or even inside your house.
- 4. Draw a picture of your favorite food! Think about the food you love the most and then consider all the ingredients that come from farms.