

September Patch of the Month

Dandelion BFFs

Made by Troop 685

The real job of a military kid is to master the art of making friends wherever you go and learning how to be a true friend. We grow to be much like a dandelion, blooming wherever the breeze takes us. A Dandelion BFF is a friend who you know to be military, has moved before, or has moved from your area but still remains a close friend. As Dandelion BFFs, you and your friend work well in a pair and care for one another, especially through hardships like moving homes. This patch program will show you and your friends the meaning of being a steadfast Dandelion BFF!





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 at-home 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 [Patch of the Month Evaluation](#).

How to Order Patches

Visit the GSK Shop in-person or use the GSK Shop Order Form by clicking [here](#) to purchase your patch for \$2.00 each!



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How to earn your Dandelion BFFs Patch

1. Complete the number of activities below listed for your age level.
2. Order your patch!



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Number of activities required to get the patch:

Daisy (3) • Brownie (4) • Junior (6) • Cadette (7) • Senior (8) • Ambassador (9)



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Discover

- Draw a picture of a dandelion and give it to your dandelion BFF.
- Draw a picture of you and your best friend or family picking dandelions.
- Read a book starring a healthy/growing friendship.
- Draw a dandelion and find the features that make it beautiful to you. Discover the beauty in the simple dandelion with your dandelion BFF.

Connect

- Blow a dandelion and observe where the seeds land. Then, think about how that relates to you “growing where you are planted.”
- If you know a military kid, talk to them about their experiences, and talk about how your lives may be different from one another and how they are the same. (If you’re a military kid yourself, do this with a civilian kid).
- Find a recipe that includes dandelions and cook it up.
- Connect through creating dandelion crowns or bouquets.

Act

- Make a card or buy a postcard to send to an old friend who moved away or who you moved away from.
- With your Dandelion BFF(s), go picking dandelions and braid friendship bracelets from them for each other.
- Create art made of dandelions and show it to your family and Dandelion BFF.
- Support the Buddy Bench initiative by donating one to your school or a place where your community needs one.
- Give a care package with snacks and small activities such as coloring books or crossword puzzles to give to a friends