COUNTY INTERNATIONAL SELECTION FOR TRIPS IN 2028

INFORMATION SHEET FOR PARENTS, CARERS, GUIDES, RANGERS AND YOUNG LEADERS

Please read before completing the application form.

Thank you for your interest in Girlguiding Buckinghamshire's International Selection event for international trips in 2028.

About our international trips

Girlguiding Buckinghamshire has been running international trips for members for more than 20 years. Wherever possible, our County trips include opportunities to meet other members of Girlguiding or Scouting from around the world.

Trips usually take place during school holidays, most often in the summer, although some may be during another half term. International experiences may take place in the UK or abroad, and each trip varies in length, destination and cost.

What to expect

Every trip is different. It may be a camp or residential, and travel could be by boat, coach, bus, train or plane. Activities may include sightseeing, swimming, walking, adventurous and cultural activities. We aim to offer a varied programme with something to suit everyone. Our aim is for everyone involved to make new friends, build confidence, travel to different places and have fun.

Costs, fundraising and planning timescales

We know that cost is an important consideration, so we try to offer trip options and we usually allow around 9 to 24 months between selection and the trip, depending on the cost and destination. This gives everyone time to plan, save and fundraise. Information about fundraising ideas and available grants will be provided.

Trips and group selection

We are currently looking to offer one or two European trips in 2028. Further details will be given in detail at the selection event.

These are County trips, so selected groups will include members from across Buckinghamshire.

Selection event details

This year's selection for adult leaders and girls will be from Saturday afternoon 13 February until Sunday afternoon 14 February 2027 at Ellesborough Guide Centre, Missenden Road, Butlers Cross, Aylesbury, Bucks HP17 0UP.

You must attend the selection overnight. There will be no alternative date.

How to apply

The application is in Word format. After completing the application form, you must ask unit leader, District or Division Commissioner to countersign it. Please do not email photographs of your application. Either complete online and email or complete, print and post.

A recent photograph of yourself must be either attached to your application or sent as a separate document.

In addition to the application form, you should also complete an Information and Consent form – a copy can be found here: International Adventures - Buckinghamshire County Girlguiding
A health form will be sent to you for completion nearer the event.

Forms should be emailed to international@girlguidingbucks.org.uk or posted to Margaret Lorton, County International Adviser, Girlguiding Buckinghamshire, 3 Walton Terrace, Walton Street, Aylesbury HP21 7QY - **TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 25 January 2027.** Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept applications after this date or at the event.

The cost for the application and selection event is £25.00. This fee is non-refundable.

Payments should be made electronically (details below), however, if this is not possible, please attach a cheque to the application form and post to Girlguiding Buckinghamshire, 3 Walton Terrace, Walton Street, Aylesbury HP21 7QY.

- **Guide Association of Bucks International**
- **Sort Code 30-90-18 (TSB Bank)**
- **Account Number: 01089373**

Please quote your name and "International" as a reference (eg. ASmith International)

Once we have received your application form, consent form and payment, we will then send an email confirming your place at the event. Do apply early as we only have a limited number of places!!

Good Luck!!