BC COUNCIL SPONSORED TRIP
Costa Rica - Adventures in the Wild 2019

When?  
For approximately two weeks between June 29th and July 15th, 2019.

Who?  
12 girls from across BC, aged 14 or 15 as of June 29th, 2019  
2 Guiders from across BC.

To qualify, girls and guiders must be physically fit, a confident swimmer and be active members of Girl Guides of Canada. Applicants must have at least 5 nights of overnight experience with Girl Guides of which at least 2 must be consecutive. All participants must have a swim test registered in iMIS prior to the trip. A minimum of one Guider must have their National Lifeguard and both Guiders must have their standard first aid.

What?  
A two-week adventure to Costa Rica that includes a 10-night tour with EcoTeach. Planned adventures during the tour may include visits to a butterfly farm, a wildlife rescue centre, a local organic farm, service work at a turtle conservation station, zip-lining, snorkeling, white water rafting, a waterfall hike, and a gathering with local Girl Guides. Girls and guiders must have an adventurous spirit and palate, and an interest in experiencing local culture, activities and cuisine.

Cost for Girl Members

The total value of this program is approximately $4,800.00 per person. As a girl member you will receive a financial subsidy of approximately 50% of the total cost from BC Girl Guides making the invoice amount per girl $2,400.00. This includes all costs associated with this trip (meals, accommodation, local and flight travel costs, program, entry fees and trip cancellation/interruption insurance.)

Additional personal costs that girls are responsible for:

- Personal spending money and souvenirs
- Kit list requirements
- Passport
- Immunizations

If you need additional financial support, please check with your Area International Adviser to see if your Area and or District Councils may be able to assist you with this event. Girl members may fundraise part of their trip cost by following the fundraising policy and procedures (Governance Policy 01-19-01).

Cost for Guiders

The total value of this program is approximately $4,800.00 per person. As an adult member of BC Girl Guides you will receive a financial subsidy of $4,800.00 for the costs associated with
this trip (meals, accommodation, local and flight travel costs, program, entry fees and trip cancellation/interruption insurance).

Additional personal costs adult members are responsible for:

- Personal spending money and souvenirs
- Kit list requirements
- Passports
- Immunizations

**Event fee includes:**

- Transportation to and from Vancouver
- BC Council travel policy for GIRLS AND GUIDERS attending Provincial events will apply for participants’ travel to and from Vancouver.

**Please Note:**

- Girl Guide uniform will be worn for the duration of this event, as we will be out in the public. Participants may be required to have uniform pieces that they do not own and find it necessary to borrow or purchase these items.

- If participation is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, Girl Guides of Canada cannot accept responsibility for expenses incurred in preparation for this event.

**Trip Specific Question**

Based on the potential itinerary of activities listed above, what are the top three activities you are interested in? Tell us in detail why you are interested in each of these specific activities.

**How do I apply?**

Please ask your International Adviser or Unit Guider for help in completing the following forms and completing your application package by the deadline of October 14, 2018.

Please visit the [BC International Opportunities](#) page to find all the forms, or click the direct links below:

- [Online Girl Application Form](#) (Word)
- [Online Girl Reference Form](#) (Word)
- [Online Guider Application Form](#) (Word)
- [Online Guider Reference Form](#) (Word)

Please submit your application forms to your Area International Adviser as listed below. Reference forms should be sent directly to the Area International Adviser (or her representative) to ensure confidentiality. Please ensure that you give the e-mail address of your Area Adviser to your reference.

Applications and references submitted directly to the Provincial Office will not be considered.
Applicants wishing to submit an alternative application are asked to contact Teri Craig, Provincial International Adviser, at international@bc-girlguides.org for assistance.

Fraser Skies Area – international@fraserskiesgirlguides.com
South Vancouver Island Area – sviareainternational@gmail.com
Kootenay Area – srweather@gmail.com
Monashee Area – international.monashee@gmail.com
Rivers North Area – mcknightfam@hotmail.com
Pacific Shores Area – colleen513@shaw.ca
Westcoast Area – wcainternationaladviser@gmail.com
Lougheed Area – international@girlguideslougheedarea.org
Lions Area – lionsareainternational@gmail.com
Thompson Nicola Area - mjakubec@telus.net

If you are unsure of your Area, please e-mail international@bc-girlguides.org for assistance.