

Brownies

Giddy Up & Go Try It

Badge Requirements



The Brownies will receive a "hands on" tour of the Ranch. The girls will learn about basic daily facility operations including the care and feeding of the ranch horses. They will also learn what tack is, arenas, round pens, cross ties, wash racks, and much more. The girls will receive an introduction to basic riding, learning riding skills such as walking, stopping, backing, turning, and some jogging with the help of a certified riding instructor.

The Brownies will do the following activities to complete this Brownie Try It.

- * Brownies will visit the Ranch.
- * Look in the barn and the horse's stall and all the equipment that is in the horses stall.
- * Learn how the Ranch feeds their horses and what they eat.
- * Give a Ranch horse a special treat.
- * The Certified Riding Instructor will show you the correct way to mount and dismount from a horse. Sit in the saddle and take hold of the reins. The Instructor will also, lead you on a short ride in order to get the feel of how the horse moves.
- * You will learn what you should wear while you riding a horse and How does the clothing that you wear keep you safe while you are riding.
- * Look at the special riding helmets and learn why you always wear a Riding helmet when riding.
- * Watch someone grooming a horse and then help groom the horse using a brush, currycomb and hoof pick. Learn what does the horse's coat feel like and brush the horse's mane.
- * Learn what is "tacking up a horse" and look at a saddle and discover the difference between a western and English saddle, what does a girth do and how the saddle pad protects the saddle from the horses sweat.