

## State of Wyoming Badge



Wyoming is a beautiful state. Do you know all the wonders that lie within its borders? Earning this badge will help you learn about the facts, firsts, resources, and features of Wyoming.

**Requirements: Daisies and Brownies must complete 5 activities including the 4 starred ones. Juniors must complete 6 activities including the 4 starred ones. Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors must complete 9 activities including the 4 starred ones.**

- 1.\* Fun with maps. On an atlas, a map of the United States, or a Wyoming map, look for Wyoming. See if you can locate (Daisies & Brownies 7 starred, Juniors 7 starred plus 12 additional, and Cadettes, Seniors and Ambassadors starred plus 18 additional):

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| *City you live in (or one you would like to visit) | Gillette   | Yellowstone River                  |
| *State Capital                                     | Green River  | Big Horn Mountains                 |
| *Grand Teton National Park                         | Hartsville ( <i>Wyoming's oldest incorporated town</i> ) | Laramie Mountains                  |
| *Yellowstone National Park                         | Laramie  | Rocky Mountains                    |
| *Devils Tower                                      | Moorcroft  | Wind River Mountains               |
| *Continental Divide                                | Rock Springs   | Shosone National Forest            |
| *Bordering states                                  | Saratoga   | Buffalo Bill State Park            |
| Casper   | Sheridan   | Devils Tower                       |
| Cheyenne   | Thermopolis  | Independence Rock                  |
| Cody   | Yellowstone Lake   | Glendo State Park                  |
| Dubois   | Big Horn River   | Fort Casper                        |
| Evanston   | North Platte River                                       | Benton ( <i>first ghost town</i> ) |

Draw or print a blank map of Wyoming, and with your troop, group or family, label the above locations according to your age requirements.

- 2.\* Find out about the state symbols (Brownies 6 starred, Juniors 6 starred plus 4, and Cadettes and Seniors all):

|           |       |         |        |       |        |            |
|-----------|-------|---------|--------|-------|--------|------------|
| *Flag     | *Tree | *Flower | Animal | Fish  | Fossil | State Seal |
| *Nickname | *Bird | *Song   | Insect | Grass | Gems   | Motto      |

If possible, draw, cut out, or color pictures of each - be able to tell about the ones you choose.

- 3.\* Find out when Wyoming became a state. How did it get its name?
- 4.\* Choose a school playground, church parking lot, or city/state park to do a clean-up project. Help keep Wyoming beautiful!

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5. Find out the main industry of Wyoming and what it produces. How do these natural resources help Wyoming's economy?

6. Famous Firsts:

- A. First State where women have the right to vote.
- B. First Business West of Missouri River – Fort William Trading Post.
- C. First and oldest National Park in the world - Yellowstone National Park
- D. First state to have county public library system.
- E. First National Monument – Devils Tower.

Research one of these firsts or find another "first" for Wyoming, and share it with others. If possible, visit one of them with your troop, group, or family.

7. Wyoming is bordered by States. Find what States border Wyoming.

8. Wyoming has 1 Native American reservation. Label it on a map of Wyoming. Find out which tribe/nation lives on it. If possible, visit the reservation or attend a Native American event.

9. Map the Oregon Trail through Wyoming. Label major stopping points along the Oregon Trail in Wyoming.

10. There are many important people in Wyoming history. Research a historic/famous Wyoming person with your troop, group or family. Share what you have learned with others.

Examples: Nellie Taylor Ross, Estelle Reel Meyer, Ester Hubart Morris, plus many more...

11. Wyoming has 11 state parks. Find which parks are close to where you live - what do you think makes them a special place? If possible, enjoy an afternoon experiencing one of these places with your troop, group, or family. Were you right about what makes the park special?

12. Digging in Wyoming. This state is famous for fossils, and many underground finds. Find out about mining fossils in Wyoming. If possible, try one of the mining/digging techniques to find a treasure of your own.

13. Find 5 interesting facts about Wyoming and share them with your troop.