

APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK AND Junior GIRL SCOUTS



GUIDELINES FOR APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK TOUR FOR JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS

PROCEDURES: Once the troop has decided to visit Appomattox Historical Park, the troop leader will request the material from GSVSC. Next, notify the ranger at the park that your troop plans to visit – giving the date, time, and number of people going. At this time also ask them to note that the troop is willing to do a service project while at the park, if one is possible.

Arrange for the proper permission forms to be filled out and signed, i.e., Trip Permission and Parent Permission.

Each leader should have a set of questions and a blank sheet of paper and pencil for recording her answers. As you visit each area stop to answer the related questions.

If your troop would like to take a picnic lunch with you. The Appomattox Wayside is near the park entrance, with tables and trashcans. Holiday Lake State Park is also nearby. The town of Appomattox offers several fast food places if you are interested.

Address for Appomattox Court House Historical Park:
P.O. Box 218
Appomattox, VA 24522
434-352-8987 x 26 or <http://www.nps.gov/apco/>

GENERAL RULES

- ❶ When walking near roadways, use wide grassy shoulders along the highway and stay well away from traffic. Cross single file on highway bridges.
- ❷ Do not in anyway disturb or destroy the natural state of animal or plants. Open fires are prohibited.
- ❸ Carry out all trash where garbage receptacles are not available.
- ❹ Water is not available on the trail; take all you will need with you before starting. Wear good comfortable shoes.
- ❺ Girls will need to stay with a leader or another adult at all times. Use of the buddy system is required.
- ❻ You may keep this material which is provided by Girl Scouts of Virginia Skyline Council. Questions 16 – 21 were developed by BSA Troop 147, Nutley, N.J.

APPOMATTOX COURTHOUSE



APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE HISTORICAL PARK QUESTIONNAIRE FOR JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS

Upon arrival, go directly to the Visitor's Center and check in with the ranger. Go to the second floor Assembly Room to view the documentary slide presentation and answer these questions.

1. How long did the Civil War last?
2. Who was the Confederate General?
3. Who was the Union General?
4. In whose house did the surrender take place?
5. When did the surrender take place?

Go outside and follow the lane to the Clover Hill Tavern. Tour the building and answer the following:

6. A portable _____ was set up in the Tavern to _____
_____.
7. List three things you saw in the tavern: _____

_____.
8. Name three things you found in the store: _____

_____.
9. How is this store different from the one where your family shops?

Continue on to the McLean House...

10. Why had the McLean family moved from northern Virginia to Appomattox?
11. On the main floor of the house, what happened in the room on your left as you enter?

Go upstairs...

12. How is the room like yours?

How is it different?

13. Where is the dining room?

Go out back to the kitchen building.

14. What makes this kitchen different from the one in the house?

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15. What is the purpose of the room in back of the kitchen?

Walk to the Surrender Triangle and listen to the Audio Program.

16. When did the formal surrender take place?

Now begin your hike down the old Richmond-Lynchburg Stage Road at eastern edge of the village. Look for the trail head sign on the right side of the road past the Peers House. The hiking trail is marked with directional arrows on metal posts.

Hike to Appomattox Wayside. The Wayside has picnic tables and trash containers. Use safe hiking procedures for crossing the busy highway bridge. Cross bridge to left side of Route 24.

17. Who was credited as the inventor of the five-string banjo?

Now cross the right side of the road. Be sure to hike well away from the edge of the road.

18. Who rested under the famous Apple Tree on April 9, 1865 and what was he waiting for?

Proceed along Route 24 until you reach Lee's Headquarters Site.

19. On the night of April 8, 1865, Lee held his last Council of War with his Corps

Commanders _____, _____,
and _____.

20. According to tradition, where did General Robert E. Lee deliver his Farwell Address?

21. In his Farwell Address, Lee said, "Men, we have fought the war together and I have done the best I could for you. You will be _____ and go to your _____ until exchanged."

Walk up the path through the woods to the site of the headquarters. Use this time for each member of the troop to share some feelings or thoughts about this outing, either out loud or on her answer sheet.

Walk back to the Visitor's Center along Route 24. If you were assigned a service project, be sure to carry it out.

**Appomattox Court House Historical Patches can be ordered
from the Skyline Shop in Roanoke or Charlottesville**