Each program includes

- At least one raptor education specialist
- At least three raptors, including an eagle, hawk, owl, or falcon
- Hands-on teaching tools such as feathers, wings, skulls, and feet
- An official Raptor Center Red-Tail Trail patch for each scout (available only from The Raptor Center – $2.50 per patch)

Programs are available at your site or ours. Outreach program costs vary based on location and number of raptors. For programs conducted at The Raptor Center, the cost is $7.50 per scout (includes patch) and $5 per non-scout student. We can accommodate groups of 12-90 people.

To schedule your Raptor Learning Adventure, call 612-624-2756 or e-mail us at raptored@umn.edu.
Ensuring the health of raptors and the world we share

Raptor programs for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts

The Raptor Center offers programs for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts of all ages. The programs are an exciting learning experience that your scouts will never forget. Your group will explore the various raptors found in Minnesota and their role in the ecosystem. Scouts will learn about the positive and negative impacts humans have on our environment and be inspired by some of our greatest environmental success stories, such as those of the peregrine falcon and the bald eagle. Scouts will leave feeling inspired and empowered, having learned specific actions they can take to protect raptors and the environment.

Girl Scout requirements filled by The Raptor Center’s program

Brownie Try-Its
Animals
Understanding Animals
Watching Wildlife
Animal Talk

Junior Badges
Pet Care
Other Ways to be Around Animals
Environmental Health
Get the Lead Out
Earth Connections
Saving Animals and Plants
Adapt or Perish
Your Outdoor Surroundings
To Protect the Environment

Interest Projects
All About Birds
- Skill Builders #2
- Technology #4
- Career Exploration #1

Boy Scout activities checklist

Activity Guide for Scoutmasters
Scoutmasters will receive a comprehensive activity guide designed by raptor experts, Scout specialists, and a Twin Cities Eagle Scout to help Scouts complete the requirements for their badge.

TIGER
- Take a hike #5G
- Make a model #17
- Make a puppet #21
- Learn about an animal #31
- Learn about conservation #34
- Play an outdoor game #35
- Visit The Raptor Center #42
- Reduce, reuse, recycle #47

WOLF
- “Birds” elective #13
- List all birds seen within a week
- Put out nesting materials
- Read a book about birds
- Identify 10 different birds
- Feed wild birds in your yard
- Put out wild bird houses

BEAR
- “Sharing Your World with Wildlife”
- Any four of the following:
  - Make a poster
  - Make a feeder or bird house
  - Explain what a conservation officer does
- Visit The Raptor Center
- Extinct and endangered species

WEBELOS
- Naturalist Activity Pin
  - Do Req. A. and five of the elective options.
  - A. Complete the Respect Character Connection
  - Keep an insect zoo
  - Maintain an aquarium or terrarium
  - Visit The Raptor Center

BOY SCOUT PROGRAM
- Bird Study Merit Badge
  - Explain why we study birds
  - Sketch and identify 15 bird parts and six wing feathers
  - Care and use of binoculars
  - Use of a field guide, identify ranges
  - Identify and record data on 20 species
  - Identify five species by call or song
  - Go on a field trip to The Raptor Center
  - Do one of the following:
    1. Put out a feeder
    2. Put out a bird bath
    3. Plant a bird sanctuary

* The Raptor Center meets the bold requirements