



GIRL GUIDES  
AUSTRALIA  
OLAVE PROGRAM

# AGP–OP Link Badge



Girl Guides Australia

# AGP–OP Link Badge Syllabus

**The Olave Program is the personal development program for members of Guiding in Australia aged 18–30. Members of Guiding in Australia who participate in the program are called Olave Program Members. The Olave Program focuses on the three aspects of *community, adventure and self-development*. The Olave Program is underpinned by the Girl Guide Promise and Law and the innovations and traditions of Guiding in Australia.**

The AGP–OP Link Badge has been developed to enable Girl Guides aged 16 years and above to progress from the Australian Guide Program to the Olave Program. This badge should generally be completed by the member's 20th birthday, but it is suggested it be completed within 12 months of connecting with the Olave Program.

The AGP–OP Link Badge has been developed to reflect the skills and knowledge that members need in order to gain an understanding of the Olave Program. The Link Badge is a participation badge and recognises that involvement is the key to appreciating the opportunities that can be offered in the Olave Program.

## ELIGIBILITY

- You may commence Part A after your 16th birthday. Members are encouraged to complete Part A prior to turning 18 but may do so up until their 20th birthday.
- You may then complete Part B between your 18th and 20th birthdays, preferably within 12 months of engaging with the Olave Program.
- To be eligible for this badge, you must be or have been a youth member.

## The badge is structured in two (2) sections:

### PART A

**Part A focuses on learning and reflecting on the differences between the AGP and OP. It can be commenced either as a youth or adult member.**

Part A consists of four (4) challenges that can be verified by an Olave Program member who has witnessed the challenge or an adult Guiding member with an understanding of the Olave Program.

### PART B

**Part B focuses on connecting with new peers and actively engaging with the Olave Program. It focuses on exploring the many ways to be an adult member of Guiding and part of the Olave Program. Part B encourages young women to take initiative and get involved.**

Part B requires that the member remake their promise as an adult member of Guiding and successfully link with the Olave Program.

Once Part A and Part B have been completed the "AGP-OP Link Badge" and "AGP-OP Link Certificate" are presented to the new Olave Program member by her Olave Program peers. Successfully linking with the Olave Program will look different for different people and may be anything from joining a Peer Group to connecting with other Olave Program members in their Region or State.

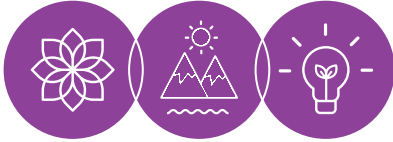
To learn more about the Olave Program please check out the Olave Program Handbook at <https://www.girlguides.org.au/howtojoin/olave-program/>.

It's the "go-to-guide" for everything about being an Olave including:

- the Olave Program Framework
- peer groups,
- awards
- the history of the program.

It also includes useful references such as how to contact your State Olave Representative.

# Part A



## The Olave Program

The Olave Program is the personal development program for members of Guiding in Australia aged 18–30. It focuses on the three aspects of *community, adventure and self-development*.

### CHALLENGE

Learn about the Olave Program structure, purpose, awards and opportunities. This can be through the Girl Guides Australia website, Olave Program Handbook, speaking to current or past Olave Program members, or completing the INSPIRE Program etc.

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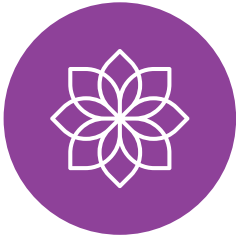
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## Community

**Olaves take opportunities to make a positive difference in their communities through volunteering, service and advocacy.**

### CHALLENGE

Connect with an Olave Program mentor. This can be a one-on-one connection with a current Olave Program member, or a connection with Olaves in the community through volunteering, service or advocacy opportunities.

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## Adventure

**Olaves take opportunities to challenge themselves through new experiences especially in the outdoors and internationally.**

### CHALLENGE

Participate in an adventure-based activity. Check your State Girl Guides website and the Olave Program social media pages to look for opportunities to see what upcoming adventure based activities you may be able to participate in. You may also contact a local Olave Peer Group to see what adventures they planned.

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## Self-Development

**Olaves take opportunities to develop skills and knowledge to enable them to grow as individuals.**

### CHALLENGE

Reflect on your current journey and how Girl Guides fits into your life. Identify your favourite parts of Girl Guides. Consider how this might look as a young adult and if you think the Olave Program might help you to continue or extend your favourite parts of Girl Guides. Discuss with your mentor who you connected with during the Olave Program Challenge...

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# Record of Achievement

Action	Date
Notify your Unit Leader and/or local Olave representative/Peer Group that you are interested in the AGP-OP Link Badge syllabus	
Start <b>PART A</b> (You must be 16 years of age. Challenges may be completed in any order)	
<input type="radio"/> Complete Olave Program Challenge	
<input type="radio"/> Complete Community Challenge	
<input type="radio"/> Complete Adventure Challenge	
<input type="radio"/> Complete Self-Development Challenge	
Start <b>PART B</b> (You must be 18 years of age to begin and complete this part within 1 year of connecting with the Olave Program)	
<input type="radio"/> Remake your Girl Guide Promise as an adult member	
<input type="radio"/> Successfully link to the Olave Program	
Receive your AGP-OP Link Badge and AGP-OP Link Certificate* from an Olave Program participant	

Once you have completed Part B of this syllabus, you must provide a copy of your Record of Achievement and your Part A Record to your State Olave Program Representative (or equivalent) for endorsement. Once the below endorsement is signed, you/your Olave Program contacts can purchase the AGP-OP Link Badge from the relevant Guide Store.

\*The AGP-OP Link Certificate can be purchased through a Guide Shop.

Signature

Date



# Glossary

**Adult Guiding member**

A member of Guiding aged over 18 years. They may or may not be involved in the Olave Program.

**Olave Program member**

An adult member of Guiding aged 18–30 years who is actively involved in the Olave Program.

**Peer Group**

A group of Olave Program member who meet regularly (this also includes by electronic means). Peer Groups can be based on locality (eg. Suburb Name Olave Program Peer Group) or based on an interest group (eg. Caving Olave Program Peer Group). It may just be a random group of Olave Program members who decide to group together.

**Region**

this is a geographical area within a State. Each state organisation is divided into geographical areas called Regions, Areas, Divisions or Districts. If you are unsure what the equivalent in your State is, please contact your State Olave Program Representative or equivalent.

**State**

The State organisation of Girl Guides in which you reside.

**Mentor**

An Olave Program member who you can talk to (either in person or virtually) to learn about the Olave Program. They may be someone who you already know, or a new connection.