

26th World Scout Jamboree Selection Event



Dear Scouts, Explorer Scouts and Explorer Scout Young Leaders,

We're excited to share an incredible opportunity for you to apply for a place in Unit 42 or 43 as part of the UK Contingent to the 26th World Scout Jamboree, taking place in Poland in 2027.

The Jamboree is an international adventure bringing together tens of thousands of Scouts from around the world. It's a chance to make new friends, experience new cultures, and grow in confidence and independence.

Young people born between 30 July 2009 and 30 July 2013 are eligible to apply. If selected, you will join one of the Hertfordshire Units and take part in training, fundraising, and team-building activities in the lead-up to the event.

The cost of attending the World Scout Jamboree is £3,490. This includes everything related to the Jamboree experience and the training activities prior to the Jamboree. This may seem a lot of money but you may be able to obtain grants and you will also have the opportunity to do lots of fundraising. Don't let the cost of the event be an issue as we will support you in raising your fees.

We have 72 places so we will be holding a selection event over the weekend of 3 – 5th October at Tolmers Scout Activity Centre.

If you would like to take part in the selection event please:

- Return the completed application form to jamboree@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk
- Book your place on the selection event by clicking [here](#) and paying the £50 fee to cover the cost of food/camping fees for the weekend (if this cost is an issue please email us to discuss).
- Join us for an online briefing about the selection weekend on Sunday 28th Sept. at 5pm by clicking

If you have any questions about this event please email jamboree@hertfordshirescouts.org.uk

Closing date for applications is 26th September 2025.

Further details about the selection event will be sent out following your application.

Yours in Scouting,

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Could the World Scout Jamboree Be for You?

The World Scout Jamboree is a once-in-a-lifetime adventure, with tens of thousands of Scouts from all over the world. It's about making new friends, trying new things, learning about different cultures, and discovering what you're capable of.

But it's also a big commitment. It takes time, energy, and a willingness to step outside your comfort zone. This experience isn't right for everyone, and that's okay. There are lots of other amazing opportunities in Scouting, too.

This description is here to help you decide if applying for the Jamboree is something you'd enjoy and grow from.

What Kind of Young People Are We Looking For?

There's no such thing as a "perfect" Jamboree participant. We're not looking for the loudest, the most confident, or the most experienced. We're looking for a mix of people who are ready to:

- Be part of a team – listen, support others, and work together
- Try new things – even if they feel a bit scary at first
- Be open-minded – meet people from different backgrounds and cultures
- Get stuck in – whether it's cooking dinner, putting up tents, or joining in activities
- Grow – learn about yourself, challenge yourself, and come back with stories to tell

You don't need to have done anything like this before. You just need to be up for the journey.

What You'll Be Expected to Do

If you're selected, you'll be part of a Unit with other young people from your area. You'll:

- Take part in training weekends and team-building activities
- Help fundraise for your place and support others in doing the same
- Represent your community and the UK at an international event
- Be ready to learn, laugh, and maybe even get a bit muddy!

Still Not Sure?

That's okay. Talk to your leaders, your family, or someone who's been to a Jamboree before. Ask questions. Think about what excites you and what worries you. This might be the right adventure for you, or it might not be. Either way, there's something in Scouting for everyone.