

NY State of Mind Brownie Badge

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New York-the Empire State-is our home. It is a great State with diverse geographic features, industry and people. It is one of the most important in the United States. It is important for girls to know about their home.

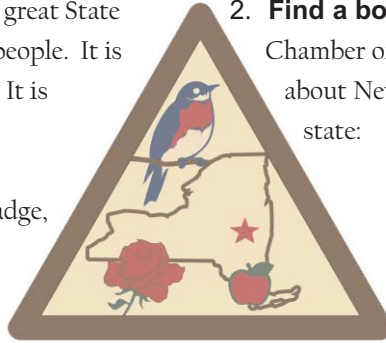
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1. Maps are fun. On a globe or world map, find the United States. Look for New York. Be able to identify it on the map. Look to see what states surround New York and be able to name them.

Looking at the map of New York, try to find all of the following:

- The state capital
- The county, city or town where you live
- The Atlantic Ocean, the Hudson River, the Finger Lakes,
- St. Lawrence River, Lake Erie, Niagara Falls, Lake Champlain
- Long Island Sound, Erie Canal
- Adirondack Mountains
- Catskill Mountains
- New York City, Buffalo, Albany, Syracuse

Draw your own map of New York—you can copy the outline of the state. Draw in all of the places above.



2. Find a book about New York or go to your local Chamber of Commerce or Visitors Bureau for information about New York. Find out all of the following about our state:

- The State bird
- The State tree
- The State flower
- The State nickname
- The State motto
- The State flag
- The State song

Be able to tell what they are. Draw or cut out pictures of each. Share what you have learned with your troop.

3. There are many historical places in New York. Visit one of them with your troop or family or school. Share what you learned with your troop or family.

4. Find out five interesting facts about New York and share them with your troop or another troop.

5. Recognize the New York State flag and what it symbolizes. Are there special colors or symbols in your flag? What do they represent? What year was New York admitted into the Union?


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