

12 guide dogs of Christmas treasure hunt

Give the kids some festive fun with our 12 Guide Dogs of Christmas Treasure Hunt. They'll be learning all about our guide dog breeds and the special jobs they do at Guide Dogs.

It costs £8 a day to support a guide dog partnership. Every penny you raise will help us fund 12 new life-changing guide dog partnerships this December.

Whether you choose to do it at school or in your local community, our 12 Guide Dogs of Christmas Treasure Hunt is a great way to introduce kids to what guide dogs are all about and help ensure that when someone loses their sight, they don't lose their freedom as well.

What you'll need at each venue selling entry forms

- A Treasure Hunt poster with your contact details
- Money collecting device – decorated jam jars work a treat!
- A stack of entry forms marked with your suggested donation, location clues, prize details and contact information
- An enclosed 'post box' for completed entry forms – why not use an empty shoe box decorated with festive wrapping paper?

Your Step-by-Step Guide

Organising a 12 Guide Dogs of Christmas Treasure Hunt is easy! Here's everything you need to do:

- Decide a time for your treasure hunt – could be 1-24 December, or maybe between Christmas and New Year when parents are looking for fun activities to do with the family?
- Choose where you are going to place your treasure hunt posters – you will need 12 different locations
- If you are doing this in your community, contact the venues to see if they would be willing to be one of your 12 places. These could be shops, restaurants or cafes, businesses like hairdressers or even vets and banks
- Decide where your participants will be able to get their entry forms. This could be in every venue you have one of your 12 dogs
- Decide on a prize for your treasure hunt – something festive or sweet that the kids will love?
- Create a list of location clues to help the kids find the 12 dogs
- Use our editable Entry Form and fill out with location clues, prize details and your contact information
- If you're doing this in school, combine the treasure hunt around school with our 12 Dogs of Christmas teaching resources and Christmas craft fundraising ideas

Spread the Festive Cheer

Here are a few simple ways to tell everyone about your 12 Guide Dogs of Christmas Treasure Hunt

- Use the poster on notice boards, businesses, libraries and drop off to local schools and playgroups
- Promote through your social media pages and post on local community pages too
- Send the details to your local newspapers and community magazines

For further fundraising advice and tips, please contact us on **0345 143 0192** or email **fundraiseforus@guidedogs.org.uk**

Why not ask local businesses if they'd be willing to help by printing or photocopying your entry sheets for you?

Thank you for making a difference for people living with sight loss – you're a life changer!

Once all the fun and laughter is over, it's time to pay in all the pounds you have raised.

By phone

Pay your money via credit or debit card directly by calling **0800 953 0113**. Don't forget to quote **FR4US**.

By cheque

Please send a cheque made payable to: **Guide Dogs, Hillfields, Burghfield Common, Reading RG7 3YG** or call **0345 143 0192**. Remember to put your name and address on the back of the cheque with the code **FR4US** so that we can bank your money correctly.

By bank

Take the included paying-in slip to the bank. Barclays is our preferred bank.

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Make your gift go further, at no cost to you. As long as you are a UK taxpayer, Guide Dogs can reclaim 25p of Gift Aid for every £1 you donate on all donations you have made in the last four calendar years, and until further notice. For more information about Gift Aid, please visit **www.guidedogs.org.uk/faqs/gift-aid**

For further advice and information on Health and Safety please visit:
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