



TAKE THE CHALLENGE



# DO YOU WANT THE CHANCE TO DO THINGS YOU DON'T DO IN EVERYDAY LIFE?

THEN THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE CADETS IS FOR YOU.

Australian Defence Force Cadets (ADF Cadets) is a collective term used to describe the:

- >> Australian Navy Cadets
- >> Australian Army Cadets
- >> Australian Air Force Cadets

The ADF Cadets is a community-based youth development organisation focused on Defence customs, traditions and values. As a cadet you'll learn leadership, team building and survival skills that will set you up for life.

You'll learn to be confident, self sufficient, and willing to 'have a go'. It's your opportunity to discover new challenges and have some unbelievable fun. You'll also learn to lead others and work as a member of a team. Cadet life is physical but not risky - you won't have to be a superwoman or superman. Qualified and experienced cadet officers will instruct you.

Across these three organisations there are over 24,000 cadets and 450 units throughout Australia - so there is bound to be one near you.

As a cadet you'll be offered some inspiring and challenging experiences. You will learn valuable life and work skills that will open your eyes to new possibilities, opportunities and career options.



## AUSTRALIAN NAVY CADETS

Get out there! If you're into adventure, you'll get as much as you can handle as an Australian Navy Cadet (ANC). You'll get to go sailing, hiking, canoeing and camping. Plus you'll learn everything about seamanship from navigational training to Naval signals and communication.

You may even get to participate in a sea trip on one of Navy's ships, sail on the Young Endeavour or travel interstate or overseas.

As well as the fun and games, you'll learn first aid and pass muster in parade training. Are you up to the challenge?

## AUSTRALIAN ARMY CADETS

Why would you want to join the Australian Army Cadets (AAC)? Well, there are lots of reasons! For a start, you get to go camping, abseiling, boating and learn to properly use firearms. Apart from getting involved in all kinds of action and adventures, you'll also make heaps of new friends. Joining the AAC is your chance to experience a really awesome time by getting into some adventurous activities conducted in a military setting.

You'll learn basic skills like bush survival, first aid and fieldcraft, and heaps more. Here are just some of the activities you can get to check out:

- >> Drill
- >> Ceremonial Parades
- >> Roping and rappelling
- >> Watermanship
- >> Use of Service Firearms
- >> Navigation
- >> Living in the Field
- >> First Aid, and many other exciting activities

## AUSTRALIAN AIR FORCE CADETS

As an Australian Air Force Cadet (AAFC) you'll learn about aviation through flying, gliding, aerospace studies, communications and navigation, air traffic control, aeromodelling, aircraft engineering, orienteering and map reading.

Most AAFC Squadrons meet for around three hours one evening each week during school terms. During the school holidays you can also go on field camps and other specialist courses conducted at Air Force bases.

## INCLUSIVITY STATEMENT

ADF Cadets and Officer of Cadets (OOC) and Instructor of Cadets (IOC) are drawn from a diverse range of unique backgrounds and experiences. All are committed to providing and enjoying a positive and safe youth development experience, respecting the value and dignity of all people, and recognising the particular rights and needs of young people.

ADF Cadets aims to be inclusive of all young people and OOC and IOC, including those with disabilities, health conditions and allergies. All reasonable steps will be taken to include any person whose individual circumstances may necessitate special consideration in cadet unit activities, provided such steps do not jeopardize the safety or cadet experience of others.

Once certain age, citizenship, medical management and parental support requirements are met, all young people will have the opportunity to join one of the three cadet organisations: ANC, AAC or AAFC.

For more information about the ADF Cadets visit:  
[www.defenceyouth.gov.au](http://www.defenceyouth.gov.au)