

# Introduction to Geocaching in SL

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SL Geocaching is an entertaining adventure game that will get you exploring the Second Life Metaverse, Visiting New Places, Meeting New People and Finding Hidden Treasures along the way!

Cache hunting in Second Life is based on the "First Life" (aka real life) caching game called geocaching where "cache hunters" obtain coordinates of a cache and utilize a global positioning system (aka GPS) to track down and find the cache. These caches are typically old military ammo canisters that contain "treasure" and a log book for the treasure hunter to make their find official.

SL Geocaching is similar to this. The basic idea is to have individuals and organizations set up caches all over the Second Life metaverse and share the locations of these caches on the internet.

The difference is you won't need a GPS system (of course) and the possibilities of what a cache holds is only limited to the cache owners imagination! Finding a cache in Second Life is a matter of teleporting to the cache coordinates and finding the cache. This is all done from the comfort of your computer.

Sounds easy enough right? Well it's deceptively easy. It's one thing to teleport to where an item is, it's a totally different story to actually find it.

Are you ready to get started? Here is what you will need:

1. A registered account on SLGEOCACHING.COM : Cost nothing and is required in order to obtain information about caches that are hidden in Second Life.

2. Must be a resident of Second Life. This is free and is required in order to actually go hunt down a cache. Visit [www.secondlife.com](http://www.secondlife.com) to learn more.

3. Become a member of the Second Life Group : Geocaching in SL currently costs \$650Lindens to join BUT membership is NOT required. However, membership does come with benefits such as:

- \* Notification for Group Only Events where participants can win Big \$Lindens simply by caching with fellow members.
- \* Communication on key milestones, gatherings and other group related announcements.
- \* A Vote on member proposals to help steer the direction of geocaching in SL.
- \* Access to some Group Only caches. \* But MOST IMPORTANTLY, Joining the group is a easy way to show your support for geocaching in SL. All \$ goes back into growing our sport so THANK YOU.

Your support is appreciated!

4. Read Forum posts on how to Seek a cache hidden by a resident or Hide a cache of your own for others to find.

5. Log the caches you find to advance in your ranking.

That's it! Get in there and start caching!

## HOW TO SEEK A CACHE

1. Insure your browser allows POPUPS.
2. Select menu option SEEK A CACHE
3. Leave search option defaults and click on SUBMIT

4. A list of available caches should be available to you. Select VIEW to view the details of a cache. This requires POPUPS enabled for your browser
5. From the details view, click on either the X , Y or Z coordinates. Another popup should appear with a SecondLife Map and Cache Can.
6. Click on TELEPORT NOW.
7. Go back to your Second Life session. You should not see a teleport invitation. Enjoy!