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Seminole County Parks, Trails & Natural Lands



### LEISURE SERVICES DEPARTMENT





Seminole County Leisure Services oversees 7,300+ acres of parks and natural lands and 130+ miles of paved and wilderness trails.

Whether you are pumping up your heart rate during a Cardio Tennis program, cycling on the signature Cross Seminole Trail, or bringing the family to a guided hike in the Geneva Wilderness Area, Seminole County's Parks, Trails and Natural Lands provide plenty of fun experiences for residents and visitors.

# TRAILS

The award-winning Seminole County Trail System is comprised of two signature paved trails as well as one signature, unpaved trail. Much of the trail system follows the Florida National Scenic Trail (floridatrail.org).

#### **Seminole Wekiva Trail**

This diverse paved trail begins at the county line in Altamonte Springs and continues approximately 17 miles, ending at the **Wekiva River**. It was built over the former Orange Belt Railway, at one time the longest railroad in the country.

Along the trail, users can enjoy beautifully canopied neighborhood areas, pastures and open space, and adjacent parks and restaurant options for a picnic or lunch out.



# PARKS & NATURAL LANDS

Seminole County Leisure Services maintains dozens of beautiful parks with amenities ranging from sports programs to playgrounds.

Youth and adult tennis programs are available at Sanlando Park, Sylvan Lake Park, and Red Bug Lake Park, or play on your own on the lighted courts at Greenwood Lakes Park or Sunland Park. Enjoy a round of golf at Seminole County's Wekiva Golf Club. Other athletes can enjoy the top-tier facilities at the BOOMBAH Seminole County Spots Complex, BOOMBAH Soldiers Creek Park, and the Seminole County Softball Complex.

#### **Cross Seminole Trail**

The signature paved **Cross Seminole Trail** runs approximately 30 miles countywide and is a designated **Purple Heart Trail**. Users can enjoy the natural side of Seminole County where the trail passes through **Spring Hammock Preserve** or the towering cypress trees at **Big Tree Park** in Longwood.

Or, hop on the trail in quaint downtown Oviedo or through Lake Mary neighborhoods to convenient shopping, eateries, and cycle rentals. Cross over I-4 on one of the largest suspension pedestrian bridges in the world and connect with the Seminole Wekiva Trail.

#### **Flagler Trail**

The rustic **Flagler Trail** runs approximately 13 miles through eastern Seminole County and is mostly

unpaved. Begin your journey at the **St. Johns River Trailhead** and **Lake Harney Wilderness Area**. Continue on to the **Little Big Econ State Forest** and cross the bridge over the Econlockhatchee River. Approaching **Snow Hill Road Trailhead**, users will experience an untouched, completely shaded canopy of trees.

Hikers will love the miles of quiet trails at the **Chuluota**, **Geneva**, and **Lake Proctor Wilderness Areas**. Boaters can launch onto the **St. Johns River** using the boat ramps at **Cameron Wight Park**, **C.S. Lee Park**, or **Mullet Lake Park**. And kayakers will enjoy accessing rivers teeming with wildlife at the **Econ River Canoe Launch** or **Wilson's Landing Park**.

#### PARK RULES

- 1. Trails, wilderness areas, and unstaffed parks are open during daylight hours only
- 2. Leashed pets are permitted only in designated areas
- 3. Clean up litter and pet waste
- 4. Do not feed or harass wildlife
- 5. Alcohol and drug use is prohibited at all parks, trails, and wilderness areas

#### TRAIL ETIQUETTE

- Obey trail signs
- Keep right, pass on the left
- Give audible signals when passing
- Clean up litter and pet waste
- Keep pets on leash
- Travel in a predictable and consistent manner
- Do not block trail



- Do not use motorized vehicles (except low power/low speed handicap accessible vehicles)
- Equestrians must control animals at all times, stay on designated path, pass with verbal notice and extreme caution, and dismount and walk horses on bridges

## **EXPERIENCE MORE**

#### **Rentals**

Celebrate your next event at a Seminole County park! Rentals are available for pavilions, meeting rooms, and the Ed Yarborough Nature Center.

#### Camping

Tent camping is available at **Geneva Wilderness Area** (hike-in), **Lake Mills Park** (drive-in), and **Mullet Lake Park** (drive-in) and primitive camping at the **Black Bear Wilderness Area** (hike-in). Reservations are required. Visit **recreation.seminolecountyfl.gov** or call (407) 665-2001 for availability, pricing, and reservations.

#### Environmental Education and Events

Seminole County's Natural Lands Program provides many opportunities for environmental

education. Guided hikes are offered throughout the year on all nine Wilderness Area properties. The Ed Yarborough Nature Center at the Geneva Wilderness Area hosts environmental education classes for schools and community groups as well as eco birthday parties and camps.

#### **Get Involved**

Give back to the parks that give so much to us. Learn more about volunteering, the Adopt-A-Park program, partnership and sponsorship opportunities, grant programs, scholarships, and more at **seminolecountyfl. gov/parks**.

# SEMINOLE COUNTY PARKS, TRAILS & NATURAL LANDS

