

Real Fun in ...the Real FloridaSM

Encompassing more than 9,000 acres, this park is known for its beautiful old-growth hammock, cypress swamps, the Civilian Conservation Corps Museum and an abundance of wildlife. Nine different nature trails take visitors through lush, jungle-like foliage and deep into the heart of one of the oldest state parks in Florida.

Natural fun is waiting for visitors at Highlands Hammock. A large picnic area with convenient facilities, 159 campsites (most with water and electric, some for wilderness, youth and equestrian use), horse trails and playgrounds make this park ideal for family gatherings. In the winter months, enjoy special programs like walks, slide shows and evening tours.

Visitors can ride the tram for a one-hour tour, learn about park history and natural communities while traveling through remote areas and along the historic "South Canal." Take photos of alligators and other wildlife. Hikers can enjoy one of the leisurely half-mile trails or bike the 3.1-mile Loop Drive. Bicycle rentals and bicycle trail maps are available at the ranger station. The bike trails link to the county's multi-use path and several miles of paved routes through Sebring, including one around Lake Jackson.

