

DuPuis Management Area Hiking

Gate 2 is the entrance to the hiking trail. The Florida Trail Association, in cooperation with the South Florida Water Management District, has developed a network of 22 miles of hiking trails. The trails are arranged to provide hikes of various lengths. There are four loop trails that range from 5 miles in length to nearly 16 miles, and a 7-mile Ocean to Lake Trail extension from the last loop that connects to the J.W. Corbett Wildlife Management Area hiking trail.

The Florida Trail Association provides all trail maintenance. Rectangular orange blazes on trees and posts mark the main hiking trail routes. Blue blazes mark side trails. Two blazes generally designate an abrupt change in direction. Carefully locate the next blaze before continuing. Remember to carry adequate water with you. A quiet hiker might see deer, wild turkey and bobcats.

Three primitive campsites are located along the hiking trail. The first is located on the east side of loop two; the second is at the south end of loop four; and the third is at the south end of DuPuis near the connection to the Corbett Trail.