

Building an appreciation for the wonderful opportunities in North Brevard, Florida through Soft Adventure challenges.



Base Station for Soft Adventures!



North Brevard, Florida: Titusville, Scottsmoor, Mims, Port St. John, & Canaveral Groves

Soft Adventures at our Wildlife Refuge & National Seashore

Why not make it a family adventure project to visit all of them in North Brevard?

If you want to learn more about the outdoors, Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge, Canaveral National Seashore and the Enchanted Forest Sanctuary have excellent programs regularly. Info: www.nbbd.com/events/

On all outdoor adventure please bring along water, sunscreen, insect repellent; and, it's a good idea to have a small first aid kit in the car.

Date visited		Soft Adventures	A brief description. Please visit the website for details.
		<u>Canaveral National Seashore Headquarters</u>	Pick up brochures and information here. 321-267-1110.
		<u>MINWR / CNS Entrance Kiosk</u>	Kiosk with large map and current information. Wheelchair ramp to overlook the Indian River Lagoon (South).
		<u>Refuge Visitors Center</u>	Refuge visitors center. Information, displays, boardwalk, giftshop. 321-861-0668
		<u>Oak & Palm Hammock Trailheads</u>	3/4 mile and 2 mile trails posted with interpretive signs that explain the ecology of the hammock community.
		<u>Canaveral National Seashore Admission Gate</u>	Pay admission here.
		<u>Bio Lab Road</u>	Boat launch at north end. 5 mile two way drive.

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	<u>Seashore Parking Lot #1</u>	Canaveral National Seashore. Nearest area to NASA launch pads.
	<u>Seashore Parking - Eddy Creek</u>	Between Lots #7 & #8. Wheelchair access. Beach wheelchair. Nature classes taught here.
	<u>Seashore Parking Lot #13</u>	Sea Turtle watches in late spring.
	<u>Black Point Drive</u>	7 mile, one-way, self guiding tour through impounded marshes. One of the most popular birding drives anywhere. Fee.
	<u>Black Point Tower Overlook</u>	Just off Black Point Drive. Portolets nearby.
	<u>Cruickshank Loop Trailhead</u>	5 mile open walk with great birding & wildlife watching.
	<u>Scrub Jay Trail</u>	Explore the scrub ecotourism and probably see the endemic Florida Scrub-Jay and other rare species.
	<u>Sendler Education Center / Dummit Cove</u>	Environmental education programs. Next to the Indian River Lagoon.
	<u>Bairs Cove</u>	Boat launching. Manatee viewing.
	<u>Rookery Island Launch Area</u>	A short paddle to one of the most active rookeries.
	<u>Manatee Overlook</u>	Frequently see manatees, especially in the warm seasons.
	<u>Clifton Schoolhouse Marker</u>	African Americans early on wanted an excellent education for their children.

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		<u>Pine Flatwoods Trail</u>	A 1 mile loop hike through the pine flatwoods ecosystem
		<u>Seminole Rest Park</u>	Historic Native American Mound, Pioneer houses, wheelchair access. Gift shop.
		<u>Great Florida Birding Trail</u>	The refuge is a gateway to the Great Florida Birding Trail. Also, visit: http://www.SpaceCoastBirding.com/

Entrance Fees are for Black Point Wildlife Drive and for Boat Launching at three improved Boat Ramps within the Refuge (Bairs Cove, Beacon 42, and Bio Lab).

Cost Daily \$5.00. Annual \$15.00, Walking & Bicycle \$1.00

A current America The Beautiful Pass (Senior, Access or Annual), a Federal Duck Stamp, Canaveral National Seashore day pass or Canaveral National Seashore Annual Pass also give you access to the refuge fee areas. If you need a hangtag to display your pass, please stop by the visitor center to pick up a free hangtag.

If you purchase a refuge \$15.00 annual pass or federal Duck stamp, you can upgrade to a Canaveral National Seashore Annual Pass (\$35.00) for an additional \$20.00 at the Canaveral National Seashore fee booth.

80% of the revenue generated through the Refuge annual pass and daily pass will go directly into funding public use projects at Merritt Island NWR.

On March 14, 1903, President Theodore Roosevelt signed an Executive Order creating Pelican Island as the country's first national wildlife refuge. Roosevelt went on to establish an additional 54 national wildlife refuges during his two terms and set historic conservation values for America. These values have grown into a system, which today, consists of 546 National Wildlife Refuges on more than 95 million acres of America's most important wildlife habitat. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is the principal federal agency responsible for conserving, protecting and enhancing fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. The Service manages the 95-million-acre National Wildlife Refuge System, which encompasses 546 national wildlife refuges and over 3000 "mini-refuges" called Waterfowl Production Areas. It also operates 69 national fish hatcheries, 64 fishery resource offices and 78 ecological Services field stations. The agency enforces federal wildlife laws, administers the Endangered Species Act, manages migratory bird populations, restores nationally significant fisheries, conserves and restores wildlife habitat such as wetlands, and helps foreign governments with their conservation efforts. It also oversees the Federal Aid program that distributes hundreds of millions of dollars in excise taxes on fishing and hunting equipment to state fish and wildlife agencies.

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- Merritt Island N.W.R. & Canaveral N.S.**
 Guide to the highlights of your visit to Merritt Island National Wildlife Refuge and Canaveral National Seashore (Physiciana Beach). Birding, fishing, driving, swimming, surfing or fishing - a family experience. Photos by Al Mackelley & others
<http://www.abdd.com/goodsmmr/>
<http://www.abdd.com/good/canal/>
 Public: 271-166 ext 2000
 Opened on May 24, 2009 - By Dave Hays - (Hays) 888-38-3911
 Home to the map - View it online - [OK](#) [X](#)
- 1 **Canaveral N.S. Headquarters**
 Canaveral National Seashore Headquarters (271) 200-1110
 - 2 **MINWR / CNS Entrance Kiosk**
 MINWR's "Seashore" kiosk will help you get current information and help you find the other things to do in the park. (Directions) (Map)
 - 3 **MINWR Visitors Center**
 Merritt Island Visitor Center (Ridge Valley Visitors Information Center)
 - 4 **Oak & Palm Hammock Trailheads**
 Oak & Palm Hammock Trailheads
 - 5 **Bio Lab Road - North**
 Bio Lab Road - North
 - 6 **Scrub Jay Trail**
 Scrub Jay Trail
 - 7 **Sender Education Center / Dunnet Cove**
 Sender Education Center / Dunnet Cove
 - 8 **Bays Cove Road**
 Bays Cove Road Entrance (Bays Cove)
 - 9 **Marsdale Overlook Entrance**
 Marsdale Overlook Entrance
 - 10 **Rockley Island Launch Area**
 Rockley Island Launch Area
 - 11 **Carbon Schoolhouse Marker**
 Carbon Schoolhouse Marker
 - 12 **Pine Flatwoods Trail**
 Pine Flatwoods Trail
 - 13 **Canaveral N.S. Admission Gate**
 Canaveral National Seashore Admission Gate
 - 14 **Bio Lab Road South**
 Bio Lab Road South
 - 15 **Seashore Parking Lot #1**
 Canaveral National Seashore Parking Lot #1
 - 16 **Canaveral N.S. Parking - Eddy Creek**
 Canaveral National Seashore Parking - Eddy Creek (Passes Lot #7 & #8. Structures across)
 - 17 **Seashore Parking Lot #13**
 Canaveral National Seashore Parking Lot #13
 - 18 **Black Point Drive Entrance**
 Black Point Drive Entrance
 - 19 **Cuckoohawk Loop Trailhead**
 Cuckoohawk Loop Trailhead
 - 20 **Tower Overlook**
 Tower Overlook
 - 21 **Black Point Drive Exit**
 Black Point Drive Exit - One Way
 - 22 **Serrinole Rest Park**
 Serrinole Rest Park - Canaveral National Park, Merritt Island Preserve (Board, Pioneer houses, wheelchair access)

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