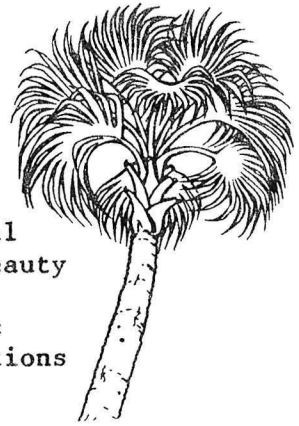


THEODORE ROOSEVELT AREA

TIMUCUAN ECOLOGICAL AND HISTORIC PRESERVE

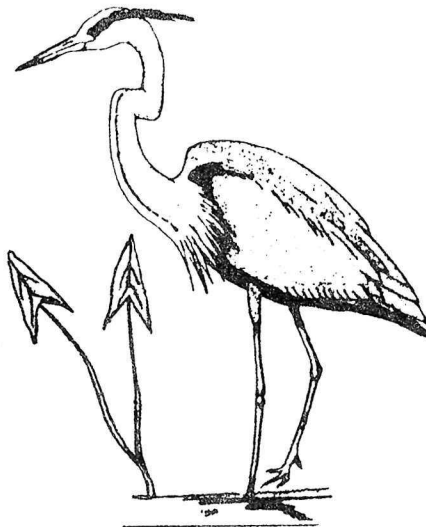
The Theodore Roosevelt Area is located 12 miles northeast of downtown Jacksonville, Florida. The main entrance is located along Mt. Pleasant Rd., approximately 1 mile southeast of the entrance to Fort Caroline National Memorial. This area is a natural treasure of salt and freshwater marsh and dune scrub rich in cultural history. The park is managed by the National Park Service with the objective of maintaining the natural beauty and ecological quality of the habitats, to protect wildlife, preserve cultural resources and history and to promote public education and research. Please observe all rules and regulations and enjoy your visit.



ABOUT THE AREA:

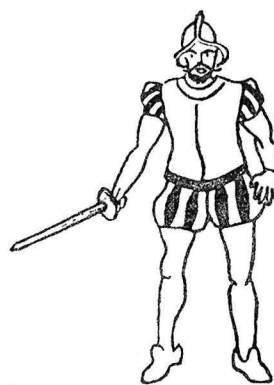
The Theodore Roosevelt Area supports a wide variety of wildflowers, birds, amphibians and small mammals. Among the different species of animals that might be seen or heard during a visit to the area are herons, egrets, wood storks, osprey, tree frogs, otters, squirrels and raccoons. For bird-watching information or information on ranger-guided walks contact park headquarters at Fort Caroline National Memorial.

The Theodore Roosevelt Area also boasts a full, rich history. For many centuries it was occupied by Timucuan Indians. However, the 1565 clash between French and Spanish forces at nearby Fort Caroline marked the beginning of several centuries of European activity. Spaniards, Englishmen, Confederates and Union forces all left their mark on this land. After 1884 The Theodore Roosevelt Area was owned and occupied by members of the Browne family. In 1969 William Browne III donated it to The Nature Conservancy, who in 1990 sold it to its current owner, The National Park Service. Today this area exists as an important part of The Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve.



HIKING:

The main trail is a 2 mile round trip hike through a wealth of natural diversity. The walk first leads through maritime hammock forest composed chiefly of hardwoods such as oak, hickory and magnolia, with redbay, wild olive and holly represented. The midpoint of your walk will emerge from hammock to the vast salt marsh and tidal creek of the St. Johns River. You then return through the hammock and back to the trailhead.



DON'T FORGET BINOCULARS!



NO METAL DETECTING IS ALLOWED!!!

PROTECT OUR PAST: Federal law prohibits the looting or destruction of archeological sites of the removal of any material remains of past human activities from National Park land.

EMERGENCY:

In case of emergency call a Park Ranger at 641-7111 or call 911. To find the nearest phone, turn left out of the entrance to TRA and go approximately one-half mile on Mt. Pleasant Road to the convenience store on your left.

FISHING:

Fishing is allowed at the Marsh Overlook site only. Fishermen are required to obey all Florida fishing regulations and limits. Digging for bait is not allowed. Please be careful--the banks are slippery and the oyster beds are sharp!



PICNICKING:

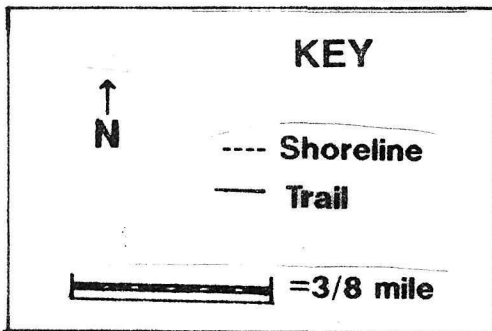
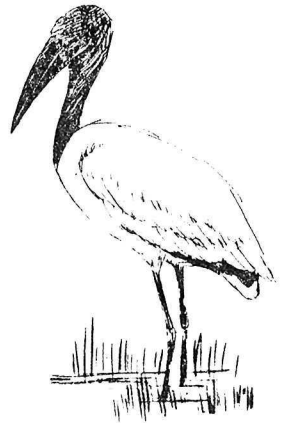
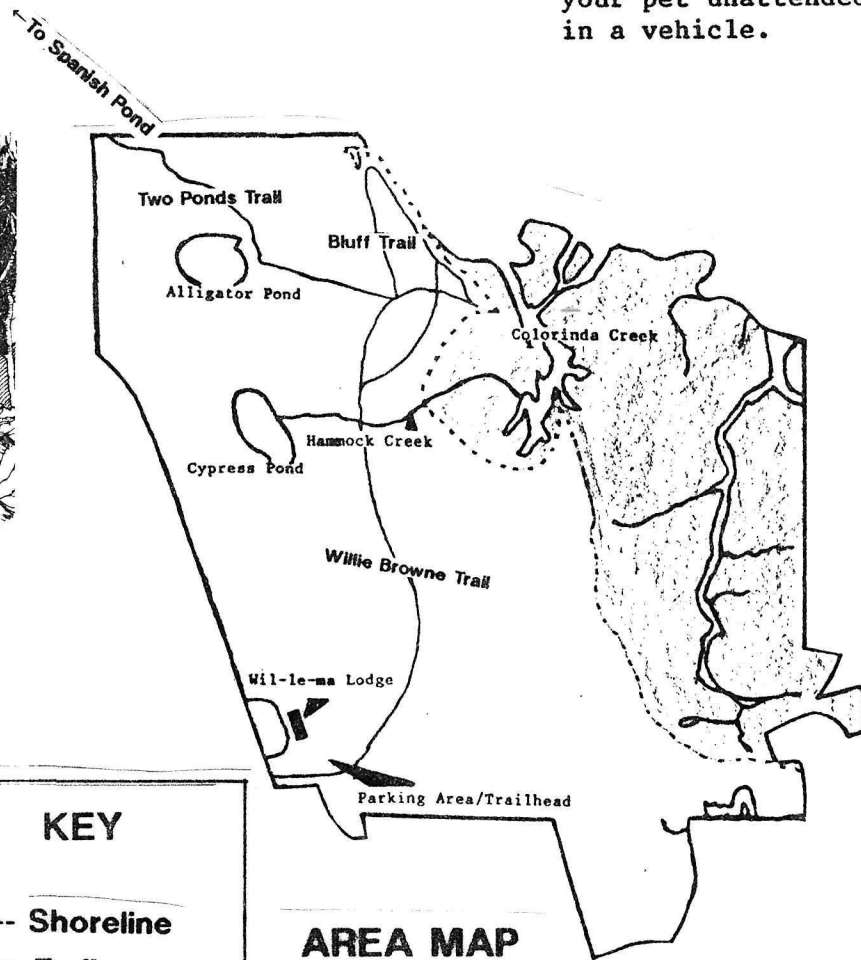
Picnicking is allowed in the picnic area next to the trailhead only. No trash cans are provided to keep wildlife from feeding on food scraps and scattering litter. Please pack out all of your trash! Fires and/or gas grills are prohibited.

BICYCLING:

Bicycling is allowed on the designated Willie Browne Trail ONLY. Groups of 5 bicyclists or more must obtain a permit. Please contact Ft. Caroline National Memorial for more information.

PETS:

Pets are permitted in the area, but must be on a leash at all times. Never leave your pet unattended or locked in a vehicle.



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AREA MAP

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- No motorized vehicles are allowed. Access must be by foot or bicycle.
- Bicycling is prohibited on all secondary trails. These trails are posted and clearly marked.
- All plants and animals are protected. Do not collect or disturb plants. Do not feed or molest wildlife.
- Camping, fires, hunting and horses are NOT permitted.
- Please do not litter. Carry out all your trash. (Any extra is appreciated!)
- Protect your valuables. Remove anything of value from your car or someone else might.

FOR INFORMATION ON RANGER-GUIDED PROGRAMS CONTACT FORT CAROLINE NATIONAL MEMORIAL AT 641-7155