

HOTSPOTS FOR BIRDING in St. Johns County, FLORIDA



Fort Mose Historic State Park

Description:	<p>Fort Mose is a historic park located on the eastern coastal flyway where it is a critical stopping point for birds to feed and rest. It is part of The Great Florida Birding Trail and has been designated an <u>Important Birding Area by the National Audubon Society</u>.</p> <p>The park is located along the intracoastal waterway and includes salt marsh and maritime hammock. It is an important rookery and hosts imperiled species such as Wood Storks.</p> <p>For those interested in the historic aspects of the park, the interactive museum tells the complete story of the first legally sanctioned free African settlement in what would become the United States.</p>
Address:	15 Fort Mose Trail St. Augustine FL 32084
Phone Number:	904-823-2232
Fee:	None for the grounds, \$2 per adult to visit visitor center
Hours of Operation:	9 a.m. -5 p.m. 365 days a year
Handicap Accessibility:	Two wheelchair accessible boardwalks, one manual wheelchair available during Visitor Center operating hours on first come first served basis
Website:	https://www.floridastateparks.org/parks-and-trails/fort-mose-historic-state-park
Facilities Available:	Visitor center with museum and rest rooms, picnic areas, observation and birding boardwalk, and kayak launch boardwalk.
Types of Habitat:	Salt marsh, maritime hammock
Other Information:	Guided bird walks offered monthly
Level of Difficulty:	Easy with level open ground and boardwalks
Species:	Coastal shorebirds, birds of prey, wading birds, songbirds. Ample viewing opportunities for Great Blue Heron, Bald Eagle, and White Ibis.
Bird Checklist Available:	Checklist available at ranger station, 107 species identified