


Birding Hotspots

St. Johns County, Florida



Nocatee Preserve

<p>Description:</p> 	<p>The Nocatee Preserve encompasses 2,400 acres of land. Donated to St. Johns County for use as a multi-use public park, the Nocatee Preserve is a conservation area of undisturbed old Florida flora and fauna. There is a 3.5-mile one-way trail that runs from its Northern Trailhead near Ponte Vedra High School to Nocatee Landing, with lovely views of the Tolomato River, which is part of the Intracoastal Waterway.</p>
<p>Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail:</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p>Address:</p>	<p>501 Davis Park Rd., St. Augustine, FL 32081</p>
<p>Phone Number:</p>	<p>In case of emergency, call 911.</p>
<p>Fee:</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Hours of Operation:</p>	<p>Dawn to dusk daily.</p>
<p>Handicap Accessibility:</p>	<p>No motorized vehicles allowed, and the walkway is not paved.</p>
<p>Website:</p>	<p>https://www.nocatee.com/lifestyle/nocatee-preserve/</p>
<p>Facilities Available:</p>	<p>There is parking and a bathroom facility at the Northern Trailhead.</p>
<p>Types of Habitat:</p>	<p>Cypress swamp, floodplain forest, wet flatwoods and estuaries.</p>
<p>Other Information:</p>	<p>The Preserve is home to a mix of wildlife – wild hogs, deer, turkeys, snakes and others. It can also be home to lots of insects, particularly in the summer months, so bring bug repellent. Be prepared for mountain bikes and runners. The best times to visit are January through May.</p>
<p>Level of Difficulty:</p>	<p>Easy to moderate</p>
<p>Species:</p>	<p>167 species have been seen. Vultures, hawks, owls, woodpeckers, hummingbirds, flycatchers, shrikes, vireos, martins and swallows, chickadees, and titmice, nuthatches, wrens, and various warblers. Also sometimes seen are Ibis, cormorants, various herons and egrets, and Wood Storks.</p>
<p>Bird Checklist Available:</p>	<p>eBird: https://ebird.org/hotspot/L1902269/bird-list</p>