

There's More to Florida

River of Lakes
HERITAGE CORRIDOR



ROLHC VISITOR INFORMATION

West Volusia Tourism Bureau & Visitor Center
116 W. New York Avenue (SR 44) | DeLand, FL 32720
800.749.4350 | 386.734.0162 | visitwestvolusia.com

MainStreet DeLand
100 N. Woodland Blvd., Suite 4 | DeLand, FL 32720
386.738.0649 | mainstreetdeland.org

Satellite West Volusia Visitor Center at DeBary Hall
210 Sunrise Boulevard | DeBary, FL 32713
386.668.3840 | debaryhall.com

Satellite West Volusia Visitor Center at Lyonia Environmental Center
2150 Eustace Ave. | Deltona, FL 32725
386.789.7207 | www.lyoniapreserve.com

Historic Sanford Welcome Center
230 East First Street | Sanford, FL 32771
407.302.2586 | sanfordwelcomecenter.com



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River of Lakes Heritage Corridor Story

The Timucua, a historic regional tribe, referred to the St. Johns River as the “**Welaka**,” which meant “**River of Lakes**.” The St. Johns River and series of lakes it connects are the eternal lifeline for centuries of tribes, settlers, travelers and tourists. People as diverse as the Timucua, early Spanish and English settlers, plantation owners, Civil War supply runners, and 1800s steamboat tourists have utilized the St. Johns River for profit, diversion, and survival.

The **River of Lakes Heritage Corridor** is a Florida Scenic Highway which connects travelers to the numerous cities, towns, heritage and cultural sites in this historic area. The **River of Lakes Heritage Corridor** embodies a unique blend of sophisticated contemporary culture, rich historic preservation, and gorgeous natural Florida.

There is more to Florida than beaches and theme parks. **River of Lakes Heritage Corridor (ROLHC)** is the place to encounter what you have been missing about Florida, whether you are planning to visit Florida from across the globe or call Florida home.

See **ROLHC.org** for more information about the corridor, including extensive web links for the activities and sites listed in this brochure. The website includes photo galleries, over 40 short videos, and a 30-minute overall video to give you a fuller picture of what **ROLHC** has to offer. The website will display on mobile devices as well as computer screens.



There's More to Florida – more adventure, nature, culture, history & fun!

CULTURE

Art, music, and great food abound on this scenic highway. There is a community passion for the historic downtowns along the corridor. People turn out in droves for farmers' markets, concerts, gallery events, and seasonal festivals.

Cultural Highlights:

- Museum of Art, DeLand
- Gallery on First & Jeanine Taylor Folk Art, Sanford
- Wayne Densch Theatre for the Performing Arts, Sanford
- Athens Theatre, DeLand
- Plentiful Restaurants, from BBQ to Fine Dining
- Live Music at Local Clubs & Restaurants

HISTORY

This road was designated as a scenic highway for its heritage, and there are many intriguing historic sites along **ROLHC**. Learn about Florida's past at these featured locations, or just stroll the downtowns and take in the historic ambiance.

Historic Highlights:

- Barberville Pioneer Settlement
- Henry DeLand House, DeLand
- Cassadaga Spiritualist Camp, Cassadaga
- DeBary Hall, DeBary
- Historic Downtown Sanford & DeLand
- Enterprise Heritage Center & Museum

FUN

There's plenty to do that's just plain fun, and many sites which are great for kids and even pets. Some downtown restaurants invite Fido to come with you on a dining adventure. Check **ROLHC.org** for a listing of known pet and kid-friendly places.

Fun Highlights:

- Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens, Sanford
- ZOOM Air Treetop Adventure & Zip Lines, Sanford
- Pontoon Boat Tours on the St. Johns River
- Reptile Discovery Center, DeLand
- Old Spanish Sugar Mill Pancake House at DeLeon Springs State Park

NATURE

River of Lakes Heritage Corridor boasts of some of the most beautiful natural sites in the world. The truly unique and stunning natural springs are a great place to start exploring.

Natural Highlights:

- Blue Spring State Park
- DeLeon Springs State Park
- Lyonia Environmental Center & Preserve
- Lake Woodruff National Wildlife Refuge
- Hontoon Island State Park
- Spring to Spring Trail (several trailheads)

RIVER OF LAKES HERITAGE CORRIDOR LOCATION

This map shows distances of popular Florida cities to **DeLand or Sanford** – the most culturally dense cities at the heart of the byway. If visiting internationally, we recommend **Sanford-Orlando International Airport in Sanford** as the closest airport to the byway. Many local people use this airport instead of the larger **Orlando International Airport in Orlando**, depending on where they are traveling.





River of Lakes HERITAGE CORRIDOR

Natural Springs, Parks & Wildlife

- 1 Lake Woodruff National Wildlife Refuge
2045 Mud Lake Road | DeLeon Springs, FL 32130 | 386.985.4673
- 2 DeLeon Springs State Park & Old Spanish Sugar Mill Restaurant
601 Ponce de Leon Boulevard | DeLeon Springs, FL 32130
386.985.4212
- 3 Lake Dias Park/Candace R. Strawn Park
5320 State Road 11 | DeLeon Springs, FL 32130 | 386.736.5953
- 4 Lake George Park
770 Nine Mile Point Road | Pierson, FL 32180 | 386.736.5953
Access to Lake George is limited. Most people need a boat to get out on the lake. Just north of Pierson where CR 3 intersects with US 17, you can get to the lake by car via 9 Mile Point Road. There is a little park there and a nice fishing pier with two covered pavilions.
- 5 Hontoon Island State Park
2309 River Ridge Road | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.736.5309
- 6 Blue Spring State Park
2100 W. French Avenue | Orange City, FL 32763 | 386.775.3663
- 7 Lyonia Environmental Center & Preserve
2150 Eustace Ave. | Deltona, FL 32725 | 386.789.7207
- 8 Gemini Springs Park
37 Dirksen Dr. | DeBary, FL 32713 | 386.736.5953
- 9 Thornby Park, Handicap Park
110 Providence Blvd. | Deltona, FL 32725
- 10 Green Springs Park
994 Enterprise-Osteen Rd. | Enterprise, FL 32725 | 386.736.5953
- 11 Lake Monroe Park
Lake Monroe Park Cir., U.S. Hwy 17-92 | DeBary, FL 32713 | 386.736.5953
- 12 Lake Monroe Wayside Boat Ramp
845 Lake Markham Rd. | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.665.2001
- 13 Hickory Bluff Preserve
598 Guise Rd. | Osteen, FL 32764 | 386.736.5927
- 14 Seminole Rest Trail – part of Canaveral Nat. Seashore
River Road | Oak Hill, FL 32759 | 428.3384
- 15 Halifax River & Mosquito Lagoon

Fun & Adventure

- 16 Gliders, Pierson
US-17 and E. Washington Ave. | Pierson, FL 32180
Must call for reservations: 1.800.318.7285
- 17 Reptile Discovery Center, DeLand
2710 Big John Dr. | DeLand, FL 32724 | 386.740.9143
- 18 Skydive DeLand
1600 Flightline Blvd. | DeLand, FL 32724 | 386.738.3539
- 19 Pontoon Boat Tours on St. Johns River - 3 Locations Marked, DeBary, Blue Spring & DeLeon Springs:
- 19 St. Johns River EcoTours
488 W. Highbanks Rd. | DeBary, FL 32713 | 386.626.9004
- 19 Blue Spring State Park St. Johns River Cruises & Tours
2100 West French Ave | Orange City, FL 32763
407.330.1612 or 386.917.0724
- 19 DeLeon Spring State Park - Fountain of Youth Eco/History Tours
601 Ponce de Leon Boulevard | DeLeon Springs FL 32130 | 386.837.5537
- 19 Blue Heron River Tours
2317 River Ridge Road | DeLand FL 32720 | 386.873.4843
- 20 Central Florida Zoo & Botanical Gardens
3755 US 17 | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.323.4450
- 20 ZOOm Air Treetop Adventure & Zip Lines
3755 US 17 | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.330.0767
- 21 Riverboat – St. Johns Rivership
The Barbara Lee is docked at 433 N. Palmetto Ave.
Sanford, FL 32771 | 888.235.1266 | 321.441.3030
- 22 Airboat Rides
Osteen, FL 32764 | Contact Scott Green, 407.701.8850

Art, Culture & Museums

- 23 Barberville Pioneer Settlement
1776 Lightfoot Lane | Barberville, FL 32105 | 386.749.2959
- 24 Athens Theatre
124 N. Florida Ave. | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.736.1500
- 25 Museum of Art - DeLand, two locations
600 N. Woodland Blvd. | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.734.4371
100 N. Woodland Blvd. | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.279.7534
- 26 Henry DeLand House & West Volusia Historical Society
137 W. Michigan Ave. | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.740.6813
- 27 Gillespie Museum, Stetson University
234 E Michigan Ave. | DeLand, FL 32724 | 386.822.7330
- 28 Hand Art Museum, Stetson University
139 E Michigan Ave. | DeLand, FL 32724 | 386.822.7271
- 29 Stetson Mansion
1031 Camphor Ln. | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.873.0167
- 30 DeBary Hall Historic Site
210 Sunrise Blvd. | DeBary, FL 32713 | 386.668.3840
- 31 Gallery on First & Jeanine Taylor Folk Art
211 E. 1st St. | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.323.2774
- 32 Sanford Museum
520 E. 1st Street | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.688.5198
- 33 Wayne Densch Theater for the Performing Arts
203 S. Magnolia Ave | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.321.8111
- 34 Sanford Public History Center
301 W. 7th Street | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.936.1679
- 35 The Enterprise Heritage Center & Museum
360 Main Street, Enterprise, Florida 32725 | 386.259.5900

Trails

There are numerous trails along River of Lakes Heritage Corridor. For more info, explore hiking and cycling under the outdoor recreation section on ROLHC.org.

- 36 Spring to Spring Trail (Several Trailheads)
Trailheads at: Gemini Springs, Green Springs, Lake Beresford Park, Glenwood, Lake Monroe Park, DeBary Hall, and others
- 37 Heart Island Conservation Area
Access from US 17 and US 40 north of DeLeon Springs
DeLeon Springs, FL 32130 | 386.329.4404
- 38 Lake Woodruff National Wildlife Refuge
2045 Mud Lake Road | DeLeon Springs, FL 32130 | 386.985.4673
- 39 Lake Beresford Park
2100 Fatio Road | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.736.5953
- 40 Hontoon Island State Park
2309 River Ridge Road | DeLand, FL 32720 | 386.736.5309
- 41 Lyonia Preserve
2150 Eustace Ave. | Deltona, FL 32725 | 386.789.7207
- 42 Sanford Riverwalk
City of Sanford | 300 N Park Ave. | Sanford, FL 32771 | 407.688.5000
- 43 Mariner's Cove Park
1199 Enterprise-Osteen Road | Enterprise, FL 32725 | 386.736.5953

To find out more about these and other Corridor locations, visit ROLHC.org, where most of these locations include web links.



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