

## Clay Creek Loop

Description: Meet at the Dallus Creek ramp slither through the pristine salt marsh to Clay Creek, a meandering, narrow channel only accessible at high tide. We will join the Gulf coastline for a brief stretch and visit the Dallus Creek Campsite, part of the Big Bend Saltwater Paddling Trail. Bring binoculars and enjoy birding and wildlife viewing on this remote and pristine waterway. Return to Dallus Creek Landing.

Skill Level: Intermediate

Distance/Time: 5.8 Miles/ 2.5 - 3 Hours

Indigenous Wildlife: Eagles, ospreys, various shorebirds and waterfowl, mullet, redfish, spotted sea trout, raccoons, otters, and blue crabs.

Launch Site: Take CR 400 (Beach Road) north out of Steinhatchee, go about 5.6 Miles after turning north from the river to the Dallus Creek Landing sign on your left. Turn there and follow the main road to the ramp.

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NOTE: Great care has been taken to ensure this guides accuracy, but weather, tides, and water conditions can change rapidly and create hazardous conditions. Routes may change due to weather considerations. Users should consult NOAA Charts for navigation. Paddlers should have all proper safety equipment and check conditions before departure. All participants are required to wear PFDs while on water based events .

