

Cow Creek/Pepperfish Key Paddle

Description: Meet at Good Times and we'll shuttle you to the Cow Creek put in. Cow Creek is a small meandering waterway at the end of the Road to Nowhere that must be accessed on high tide. As the road name suggests, this is an exceptionally remote and undeveloped area, a true glimpse of wild Florida. A short 1.5-mile paddle to the Gulf and circling Pepperfish Keys offers a fantastic birding opportunity. We will keep at least a football field distance to avoid disturbing the myriad bird species so be sure to bring binoculars or camera with zoom lens.

Distance/Time: 5.3 Miles/Approximately 3 hours

Skill Level: Intermediate/Advanced

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

Launch Site: Take CR 361 south out of Jena, continue about 10.4 miles from Casey's Cove Convenience Store to Cow Creek. Launch on the Southwest side of the road.

NOTE: Great care has been taken to ensure this guide's 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.



