

Lock–Shingle Creek Paddle

Description: Launch from the Anderson Landing Ramp and paddle through local canals to Lock Creek and Shingle Creek.. This tour follows a network of beautiful back creeks and side channels along the lower Suwannee River. Our entire trip is within the bounds of the 53,000 acre Lower Suwannee National Wildlife Refuge where low, tidal creeks and coastal swamps are home to a fantastic array of bird, reptile, amphibian and insect species While the main channel of Suwannee River is relatively wide (averaging 600 - 800 feet across), the backwaters we follow on this trip rarely span more than 100 feet. Most channels are partially shaded near the edges by overhanging bald cypress, water elm, tupelo, ash, maple and oaks. The shrub layer is dominated by swamp dogwoods, Walter viburnum, buttonbush and climbing asters.

Distance/Time: 7.7 Miles/Approximately 3.5 hours

Skill Level: Novice/Intermediate due to distance

Launch Site: Anderson Landing Ramp in Suwannee-
From the Suwannee Community Center: Head East on CR 349 1/2mile and the ramp is on your right.

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 .

