



# BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK

IMMERSE YOURSELF IN 636 ACRES OF FLORIDA'S INLAND ECOLOGICAL WONDERS

## 2019 PARK FACTS

<u>VISITATION</u>	<u>ECONOMIC IMPACT</u>	<u>LOCAL JOBS SUPPORTED</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>VOLUNTEERS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
85,258	7,562,462	106	3	46	636



Blackwater State Forest and Blackwater River State Park are core areas of the largest contiguous longleaf pine/wiregrass ecosystem left in the world, one described as being rarer than a tropical rainforest.

Plan Your Visit  
at  
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# FLORIDA STATE PARKS

## A MAJOR CONTRIBUTOR TO FLORIDA'S WELL-BEING!

The Florida State Parks and Trails system is one of the state's greatest success stories having won the prestigious National Gold Medal of Excellence a record four times. Florida residents and, visitors from around the world, are drawn to Florida's state parks and trails as *the places* to hike, bike, kayak, swim, fish, camp, lay on the beach, hunt for shells, learn about nature and Florida history, have family reunions, and even get married!

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### 2019 Statewide Economic Data

- 175 Florida State Parks and Trails  
(164 Parks / 11 Trails) comprising nearly 800,000 Acres
- \$2.6 billion direct economic impact
- \$176 million in sales tax revenue
- 37,119 jobs supported
- Over 29 million visitors served



The mission of the Florida State Parks Foundation is to support and help sustain the Florida Park Service. The Florida State Parks Foundation supports the entire Florida State Park system through programs that:

- preserve and protect state parks
- educate visitors and decision makers about the value of state parks
- encourage community engagement and active use of state parks
- provide financial support to supplement state funding

**Find out more and get involved visit**  
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