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GILCHRIST BLUE SPRINGS

STATE PARK

2019 PARK FACTS

<u>VISITATION</u>	<u>ECONOMIC IMPACT</u>	<u>LOCAL JOBS SUPPORTED</u>	<u>STAFF</u>	<u>VOLUNTEERS</u>	<u>ACRES</u>
138,015	\$12,075,179	169	3	0	402



The park contains a collection of natural springs, including a large second magnitude spring that produces an average of 44 million gallons of water per day. This spring, known as Gilchrist Blue, has outstanding water clarity and discharges water through a shallow spring run about one-quarter mile to the Santa Fe River.



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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
- \$176 million in sales tax revenue
- (164 Parks / 11 Trails) comprising nearly 800,000 acres
- 37,119 jobs supported
- \$2.6 billion direct economic impact
- 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

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