BIG LAGOON STATE PARK

SEPARATING THE MAINLAND FROM PERDIDO KEY AND THE GULF OF MEXICO

2025 PARK FACTS

VISITATION	ECONOMIC IMPACT	LOCAL JOBS SUPPORTED
111,938	$14,620,329	205

Think of Big Lagoon State Park as a gateway. It not only offers swimming, boating, fishing, camping, hiking and paddling, but adventurers also can begin or end a 1,515-mile sea kayaking journey on the Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail around the entire state. The top half of a kayak embedded in sand marks the launch site along with a box containing a weathered log book.

The park is also a gateway for the Great Florida Birding and Wildlife Trail. The park is a stopover for more than 23 species of wood-warbler and a variety of ducks, sandpipers and black-bellied plovers. Bring binoculars or borrow a pair from the ranger station and roam the shore and extensive coastal forest or climb the three-story observation tower for a bird's-eye view.

Plan Your Visit at

FloridaStateParks.org

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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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FY 2024-25 Statewide Economic Data

- **175 Florida State Parks and Trails**

(164 Parks / 11 Trails) comprising nearly 800,000 acres

- **$3.6 billion direct economic impact**
- **$234 million in sales tax revenue**
- **49,910 jobs supported**
- **Over 28 million visitors served**

Friends of Pensacola State Parks is a non-profit organization that supports Big Lagoon State Park, Perdido Key, and Tarkiln Bayou Preserve. We are an organization of volunteers committed to the preservation of the parks for the enjoyment of park visitors for generations to come.

The three parks we cover are perhaps the most popular outdoor destination in the Florida Panhandle. Combining all three State Parks we cover miles and miles of sugar-white sand beaches, striking coastal dune formations, nature trails, a boat launch, kayak rentals, picnic areas, a playground, 75 family campsites, event space, and 5,200 acres of wilderness preserve.

Find out more and get involved visit FriendsOfPensacolaStateParks.org

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