BIG SHOALS STATE PARK

THE LARGEST WHITEWATER RAPIDS IN FLORIDA

2025 PARK FACTS

VISITATION	ECONOMIC IMPACT	LOCAL JOBS SUPPORTED
11,374	$1,501,734	21

When the water level on the Suwannee River is between 59 and 61 feet above mean sea level, the Big Shoals rapids earn a Class III Whitewater classification. Only experienced canoe and kayakers should attempt to navigate the Shoals. There is a portage area available for portaging around the Shoals. Limestone bluffs, towering 80 feet above the banks of the Suwannee River, afford outstanding vistas not found anywhere else in Florida.

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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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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

FLORIDA STATE PARKS FOUNDATION

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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