



Florida Trail along the Suwannee, by Doug Alderson

Florida Trail Adventure Combo Opportunities

The 1,100-mile Florida National Scenic Trail (FNST) parallels several designated paddling trails. This presents ideal opportunities for paddling and hiking combination trips. You can paddle a stretch of river and hike back to your vehicle, or drop a vehicle and hike back before your paddling trip. Just make sure you safely secure your kayak or canoe. Besides a more varied recreational experience, you can save money and fossil fuels by exploring this option.

The paddling trails where these combo opportunities currently exist include the Aucilla River, Econfina Creek, Juniper Creek, and the Withlacoochee River South (map 2). Paddling trail maps for these rivers show the FNST. Specific hiking trail information is at the end of each text guide. The Suwannee River Wilderness Trail is also a paddling trail where significant combo opportunities exist, although maps for the 41.6-mile section of the FNST along the trail currently need to be obtained from the Florida Trail Association: <http://www.floridatrail.org/index.cfm>. In addition, this website has good information about hiking along the Suwannee: <http://www.floridahikes.com/tag/suwannee-river>.