# Scottsmoor Flatwoods Sanctuary East Trail Mapage Automotive



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#### **Description:**

This 1500-acre sanctuary straddles both sides of I-95, just south of Exit 5A (Stuckway Road) in Scottsmoor. The site protects a variety of habitats including scrub, pine flatwoods, oak hammocks, depression marsh, forested wetlands, and cypress swamp. Wildlife species include white-tailed deer, bobwhite quail, bobcat, wood storks, various wading birds, and gopher tortoises.

### Parking:

To enjoy the Scottsmoor Flatwoods Sanctuary East's many trails that take you through mesic flatwoods, scrubby flatwoods, depression marshes, and some oak-saw palmetto scrub – please park in the designated parking area of Parrish Park located at 4055 Magoon Ave., Mims, FL 32754. There are entrances to the north and south of Parrish Park. There are kiosks at both trailheads that contain information on the sanctuary and a map of the trail system.

#### **Trail Instructions:**

Scottsmoor Flatwoods Sanctuary is made up of two units separated by I-95, one unit to the east and one to the west. For simplicity purposes this page will only talk about the trail systems for Scottsmoor Flatwoods Sanctuary East.

Scottsmoor Flatwoods Sanctuary East has approximately 7 miles of hiking trails and 4.4 miles of equestrian and mountain biking trails.

North Trailhead: The north trailhead starts you off on either the combined Red and Blue hiking trail or the Yellow multi-use trail where biking and horses are permitted trail. If you take the blue and red combined trail, they will eventually split. The Blue trail veers to the left, and creates a small loop (approximately 1.6 miles) which intersects again with the Red trail and takes you back to the northern trailhead.

If, at the split, you take the Red trail to the right, you will find yourself on a 6.1 mile loop which will pass the Yellow trail twice before going west at the cattle pasture and then curving south, taking you to the southern portion of the property. About halfway through the Red trail loop, you will connect to the White trail in the southern portion of the property. The White trail passed by the Yellow Trail loop, and connects to another portion of the Red trail, creating a shortcut of the larger Red trail loop. If you do not take the shortcut, you will pass the Yellow trail two more times before coming to a kiosk at the southernmost boundary of

the sanctuary. Continuing on the Red trail, you will pass Yellow trail accessed two more times before reaching the South Trailhead.

If you choose to take the Yellow multi-use trail from the North Trailhead, you will embark on a 4.3-mile loop from the North Trailhead to the South Trailhead. Along this path, you will pass the Blue loop two times before joining with the Red trail for a short distance. The Yellow trail continues south and passes the White trail in the southern park of the park. The Yellow trail continues south and passes the Red trail three times before heading back north. You will pass the White trail one last time before finding yourself at the South Trailhead.

The south trailhead starts you off on the Red hiking trail or the Yellow equestrian/mountain biking trail. It takes you the opposite description of the north trailhead.