

ACTIVITY:
LOXAHATCHEE RIVER CANOEING

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FEES:
Canoe w/ 2 people \$ 40.00
Canoe w/ 3 people \$ 50.00
Single Kayak \$ 30.00

ADVANCEMENT OPPORTUNITY: Canoeing M.B.

UP-TO-DATE 'SAFETY AFLOAT' CERTIFICATION: Required

UP-TO-DATE 'SAFE SWIM' CERTIFICATION: Required

THE REAL SCOOP:

The Loxahatchee River was named Florida's first Wild and Scenic River. Known for its pristine plant life and beautiful cypress tree-lined banks, the river at times is only 8-10 feet wide. Alligators



and exotic Florida birds are commonly seen. The river run extends about 8 miles from the Canoe Outpost on West Indiantown Road, terminating at either Jonathan Dickinson State Park or Camp Tanah-Keeta. It is a good idea to be on the river by 9:00am, for a lunchtime stop at Trapper Nelson's Cabin, now a State Park about halfway down river (you must pack your own lunch). Once past Trapper Nelson's, the river widens and the tide will affect the severity of your final paddle home. Depending on river conditions (snags, fallen trees, tidal flow, etc.) You should make it to J.D. or Tanah-Keeta by about 4:00pm. If you rented your canoe at the Outpost, be aware that their parking lot is locked at sundown, so you need to return quickly to retrieve your car(s). Many trees along the river were lost in the hurricanes of 2004-2005, but it is still a very unique and worthwhile expedition.
