



DATE and TIME: Sunday, January 19 at 12:30pm

ACTIVITY: Hiking from the Vortex Trailhead in the Cross Florida Greenway **MAXIMUM GROUP SIZE OF 12**

RSVP REQUIRED: Please RSVP to Marcia at 352-390-4406 (text preferred)

DESCRIPTION: This hike starts at the Vortex Trailhead in the Cross Florida Greenway. This is a shady, mostly flat trail through a pretty and peaceful forest that has some grand old oak trees. The total distance is about 3.75 miles round trip with an estimated travel time of about 1.75 hours hiking at a moderate pace with stops to enjoy the scenery. Our hiking trail is separate from the mountain biking trails but we'll take a few minutes to see some of the double black diamond mountain biking jumps and wood features in the Vortex.

You may want to do an optional add-on hike. Just a short drive from the Vortex, located on "The Island" behind the Sheriff's office at the intersection of Route 301 and SE 80th St., is the Barge Canal History Trail. It's a shady .8-mile loop trail with lots of historical markers outlining the history of the defunct Cross Florida Barge Canal project and how those lands became our Cross Florida Greenway.

MEETING PLACE: Meet at the pickleball court parking lot between 12:30 and 12:40pm. Departing promptly at 12:40. Carpooling available.

TRAILHEAD ADDRESS: 9150 SE 25th Ave., Ocala, Off-street parking. A port-o-potty is located just a couple minutes walk down our trail.

ITEMS TO BRING: Please bring plenty of water and a snack.

PETS: Pets are welcome on this hike. FEES: None DRIVING MAPS ON NEXT 2 PAGES➔

See your doctor before swapping the TV remote control for hiking boots, bikes and kayaks. Then pick a hike, ride or other trip within your comfort zone and begin your adventure. Participants are personally responsible for all their decisions and risks associated with their participation in any Outdoor Adventure Club activity.

Driving from Stone Creek to the Vortex Trailhead

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from Elan Spa at Del Webb Stone Creek, 6101 SW ...
to 9150 SE 25th Ave, Ocala, FL 34480

Elan Spa at Del Webb Stone Creek
6101 SW 89th Ct Rd, Ocala, FL 34481

- > Follow SW 89th Ct Rd and SW 63rd St Rd to SW 80th Ave
5 min (1.6 mi)
- > Follow SW 80th Ave, FL-200 and SW 66th St to SW 19th Avenue Rd
15 min (8.1 mi)
- ✓ Take SW 80th St to your destination
11 min (5.6 mi)
- ↑ Continue onto SW 19th Avenue Rd
1.1 mi
- ↶ Turn left onto SW 80th St
3.1 mi
- ↷ Turn right onto SE 25th Ave
1.2 mi
- ↷ Turn right
0.3 mi

9150 SE 25th Ave
Ocala, FL 34480

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Map details: The map shows a route starting at Elan Spa at Del Webb Stone Creek (6101 SW 89th Ct Rd) and ending at 9150 SE 25th Ave. The route is highlighted in blue. Key landmarks include Ocala Regional Sportsplex, Florida Aquatics Swimming and..., Sholom Park, Lowe's Home Improvement, Marion County Rest Area, I-75 Southbound, Redeemer Christian School, and Santos Trails. The route includes several turns and segments with time and distance callouts: 36 min (18.9 miles), 31 min (15.3 miles), and 31 min (16.2 miles). The map also shows major roads like SW 80th Ave, SW 66th St, SW 19th Avenue Rd, SW 80th St, SE 25th Ave, and SW 107th Pl.

