



## Welcome...

When our family first moved into the St. Johns River basin area in 1979 we quickly realized this stretch of river from Lake Harney to Lake George was unique.

Like the Native Americans and explorers before us, we feel a special kinship with this meandering waterway, its cypress covered shoreline, great stands of oak hammocks and a myriad of bird and wildlife.



Having lived in the river basin area and enjoying, boating, fishing and camping for the past two decades, we are proud to share it with the endless stream of visitors that feel a need to experience and connect with the more natural side of Florida.

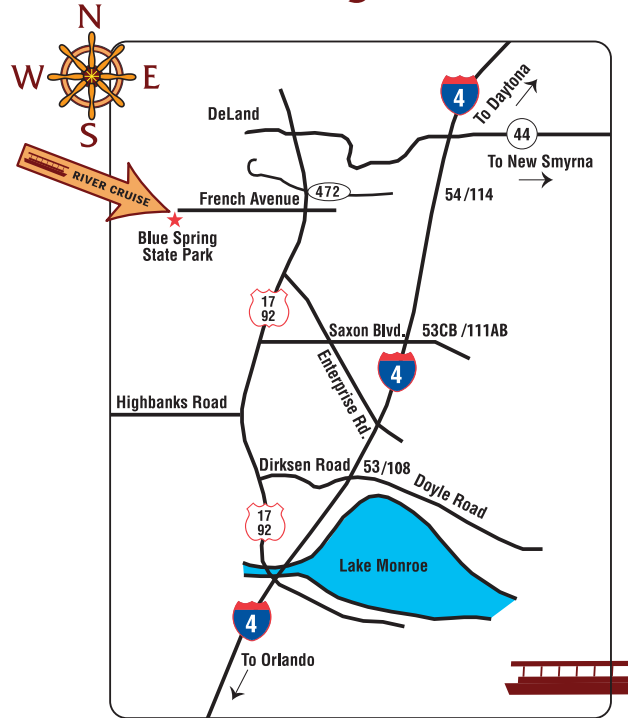
So, if you see us wave at a pair of nesting bald eagles or osprey, smile at a manatee mother and calf or call some of the older gators by name, just reflect on the fact that this is our tradition ... and hopefully will be for generations to come.



Thanks for visiting with us on the St. Johns River - come back again soon.

The Woxbergs

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# St. Johns River Cruises



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## Cruises & Tours

Established many years ago by Central Florida Natives, the **St. Johns River Cruise** is considered the most popular nature-oriented tour in Florida. Our vessels, the **Native II and Eagle**, were specially designed to ply the shallow backwaters of this unique section of the historic St. Johns River.

The quiet and smooth operation of our boats allows you to hear the sounds of nature as they surround the trip. With an average cruising speed of 6 mph, nothing passes by too fast. Frequent stops are made for photographs, intimate encounters and a thorough look at this most fragile ecosystem.

On our daily 2 hour tour your Captain provides interactive narration of local and river history along with illustrated accounts of the numerous bird species, alligators and other wild critters that call this area home.

For one of the **Best Values in Florida** you are welcome to join us for a cruise that you'll not soon forget! Just sit back, relax and enjoy this professionally narrated cruise into the wilds of **natural Florida**.

For those that would prefer something more **"UP CLOSE & PERSONAL"** We offer guided 3 hour kayak tours by reservation. Small groups, excellent equipment, guided by experienced, knowledgeable staff. Canoes and kayaks available for rent. Questions? Please contact us for details.

All Captains are licensed by the United States Coast Guard. The Native II and Eagle are United States Coast Guard inspected.



## Schedule & Rates

Two Hour Cruises Depart Daily  
10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.  
Additional Cruise Times Available January-April  
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### Prices:

Adults... \$22  
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- Conditions permitting
- Times and prices subject to change
- Minimum number of passengers required
- Charters have priority

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## Blue Spring State Park

For hundreds of years the Timucuan Indians made the spring area their home. The spring run, river and surrounding swamps and uplands provided food, clothing, shelter and materials for tools and weapons. Snails gathered from sandbars were a staple food for these people. Over the centuries the discarded shells formed a massive mound.



Three years after England acquired Florida from Spain, John Bartram, a prominent British botanist, explored the St. Johns in search of resources of value to the Crown. On Jan. 4, 1766, he rowed his boat past sunning alligators into the clear water of Blue Spring.



By the mid-1800s, most of the Indians had been killed or driven south and pioneer settlers took their place.

The same pristine beauty enjoyed by Florida's earliest residents still can be seen today. A self-guided boardwalk leads visitors through a lush hammock to Blue Spring.

The spring is much more than a scenic area for canoeing and swimming; it's a place that plays a vital role in the survival of one of Florida's most beleaguered residents - the manatee. An observation platform provides a view of the endangered mammals that gather at the spring during the cooler months of the year. From November through March the manatees leave the colder waters of the St.



Johns River for the safety and comfort of the 72-degree spring. A designated swimming area separates bathers from the manatee refuge zone.