

Native Wildlife Commonly Seen

Animals

American alligator

Black racer snake

Bobcat

Black bear

Coral snake

Cottonmouth snake

Eastern diamondback
rattlesnake

Florida Panther

Grey squirrel

Pygmy rattlesnake

Raccoon

White tailed deer

Wild hog

Butterflies

Gulf fritillary butterfly

Monarch butterfly

Zebra longwing butterfly

Birds

American kestrel

American robin

Barred owl

Bald eagle

Blue-gray gnatcatcher

Cattle egret

Crested caracara

Eastern meadowlark

Great egret

Little blue heron

Piliated woodpecker

Red-bellied woodpecker

Red-shouldered hawk

Roseate spoonbill

Sandhill crane

White-eyed vireo

Wild turkey

Wood stork

White ibis

Native Habitat and Plants

Pine Flatwoods

Slash pine
Saw palmetto
Wax myrtle
Swamp fern
Grapevine
Beauty berry

Oak Hammocks

Live oak
Laurel oak
Cabbage palm
Wild coffee
Myrsine
Strangler fig

Cypress Swamps

Bald cypress
Pond cypress
Red maple
Pop ash
Pickerelweed
Sawgrass

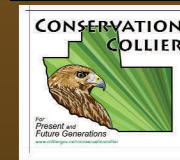
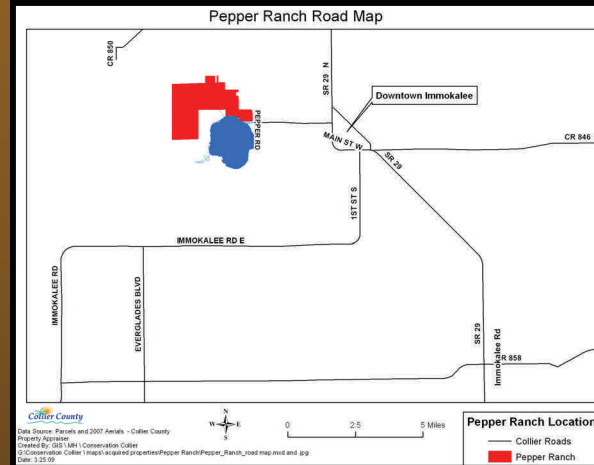
Freshwater Marshes

Pickerelweed
Alligator flag
Spikerush
Common buttonbush
Sand cordgrass
Corkwood

Directions:

From Naples: Head east on Immokalee Rd 28 miles. Turn left onto FL-29/ NW Main St. Drive 1.9 miles. Turn left onto Lake Trafford Rd. Drive 2.9 miles. Turn right onto Pepper Road. Drive .8 miles. The main gate will be on your left.

From Ft. Myers: From I-75 take FL-82E 25 miles. Turn right onto FL-29 S. Drive 3.6 mi to Immokalee. Turn right onto Lake Trafford Rd. Drive 2.9 miles. Turn right onto Pepper Road. Drive .8 miles. The main gate will be on your left.



For additional trail information please visit :
<https://www.hikingproject.com/directory/8013991>

Conservation Collier:
A tax payer funded land acquisition program
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Pepper Ranch Preserve



The Preserve is open October—May
Every Friday and non-hunt Saturday
and Sunday
9:00 am-4:00 pm

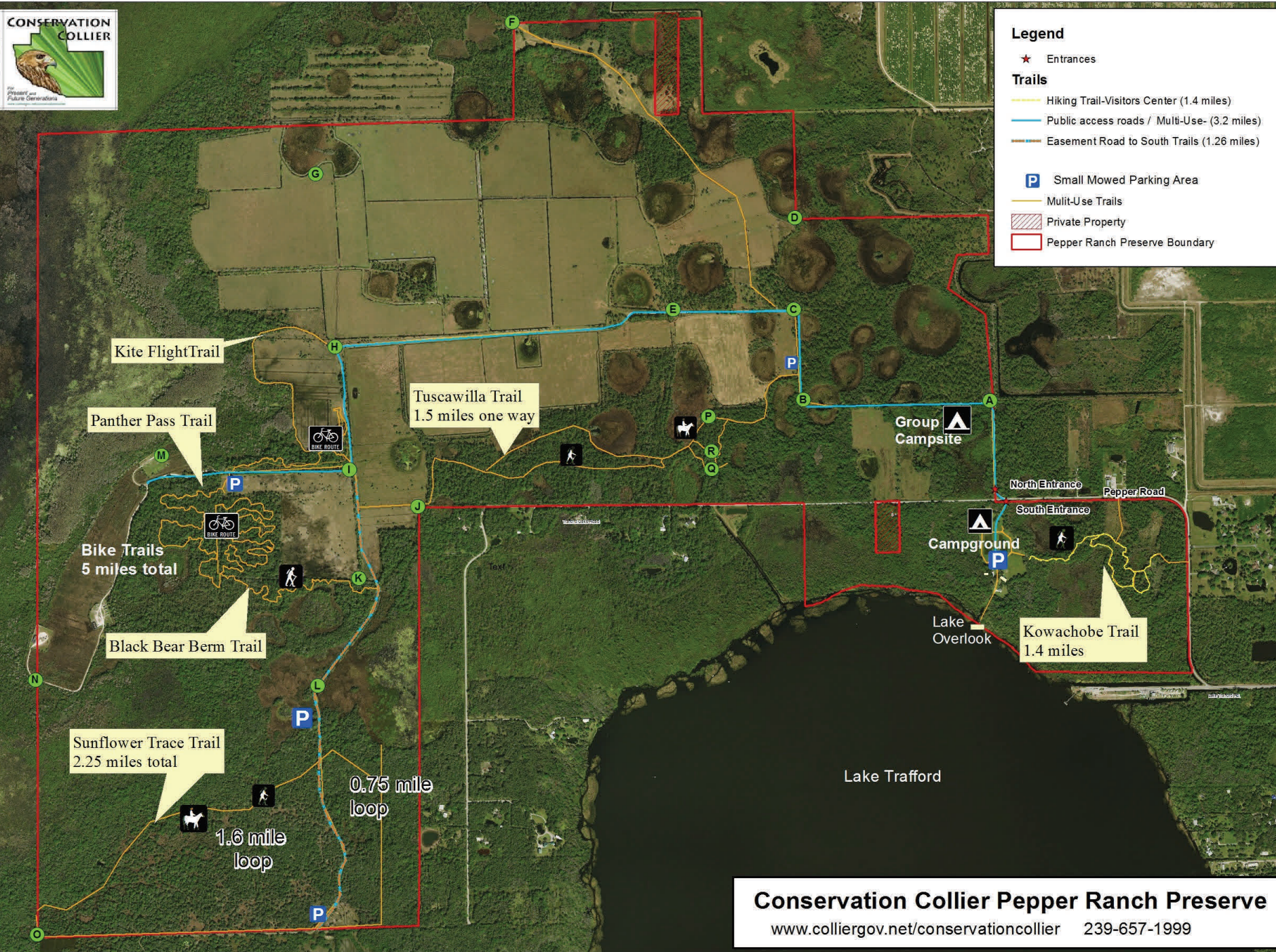
Pepper Ranch Preserve is a 2,512 acre County-owned and managed conservation property located west of Immokalee, FL and just north of Lake Trafford. It is home to native wildlife including Florida panther, black bear, bobcat, alligator, sandhill crane and numerous species of wading birds in addition to being a working cattle ranch. There are approximately 15 miles of trails and firebreaks at the preserve maintained for hiking, horseback riding, and mountain biking. A small tent only campground and group campsite are available as well as a beautiful Lake Trafford overlook!





Legend

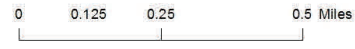
- ★ Entrances
- Trails**
 - Hiking Trail-Visitors Center (1.4 miles)
 - Public access roads / Multi-Use- (3.2 miles)
 - Easement Road to South Trails (1.26 miles)
- P** Small Mowed Parking Area
- Multi-Use Trails
- ▨ Private Property
- ▭ Pepper Ranch Preserve Boundary



Data Source: Collier County Property Appraiser
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Pepper Ranch Preserve Current Trails



Conservation Collier Pepper Ranch Preserve
www.colliergov.net/conservationcollier 239-657-1999

Restoration

When Conservation Collier acquired this preserve in 2009, it was overgrown with invasive, exotic vegetation. Since acquisition, the County has removed and treated the exotic plants throughout the preserve in an ongoing effort to restore and protect existing habitat. Restoration consists of treating phases of the preserve 1-2 times per year to remove any re-sprouting of invasive exotic plants, application of prescribed fire, replanting native plant species where appropriate, and hydrological restoration projects.

Listed Plants

460 plant species have been recorded at the preserve. There are 14 listed plant species, 3-endangered, 8-threatened, and 3-commercially exploited. They include airplants, orchids, stoppers, ferns and lily. Full plant lists are available upon request.

For campground or facility rentals, please visit or call Immokalee Community Park 321 N. 1st Street in Immokalee at 239-252-4449



Visitor Center Phone Number

239-657-1999

Don't forget to check out with the Park Ranger before leaving the preserve.