

MY TOP FIVE
Gainesville Hikes





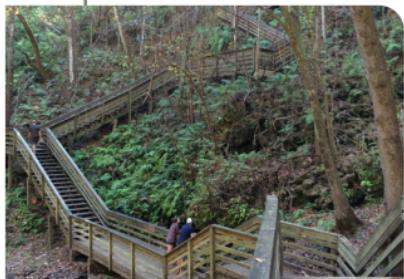
Bolen Bluff

Although there are many wonderful Payne's Prairie trails, Bolen Bluff offers the best of both worlds with a winding, hardwood hammock that leads to a straight cut into the prairie. During the dry season, you can walk all the way out to an observation deck for an endless view of the golden grasses. Whether it be horses, bison, or hogs, you are sure to share the trail with some ungulates before the 3 miles are up. Bug spray is a must for the wooded area.



#2 Morningside

Visit the tortoises in the pine forest or dare to share the trail with the cottonmouths in the cypress swamp. In the summer, wild blueberries abound.



#3 Devil's Millhopper

Get your steps in for the day at this “Great Wall of Florida,” which leads to a limestone sinkhole. Tropical plants and mini waterfalls galore.



#4 Split Rock

Otters, alligators, and turtles, oh my! This trail has lots of hidden gems, including the colossal split rock it is named after.



#5 Possum Creek

A neighboring dog park and wide-open field make this quick and easy trail a fun place to bring a furry friend.

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ABOUT ME

When I'm not studying for my M.S. degree at UF's School of Forest, Fisheries, and Geomatics Sciences, you can find me exploring Gainesville's natural attractions. From trail hiking to scuba diving, the great outdoors is where I'm happiest.

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