DAVIS BAYOU

MAP LEGEND

- Mile Marker
- Parking
- Canoe/Kayak Launch
- Facilities
- Blueway Trail
- Pickniking
- Visitor Center
- Interpretive Sign

LEVEL	Beginner to Intermediate
START/END	Boat Launch
DESCRIPTION	Bayou and Maritime Forest
SCENERY	Coastal marsh, views to open sound and tree lined banks
ACCESS	Accessible canoe/kayak launch

The Davis Bayou Blueway connects Davis, Stark and Halstead Bayous. The winding marshes are rich in plant and animal diversity, but also demonstrate the extremes of the salt marshe environment.

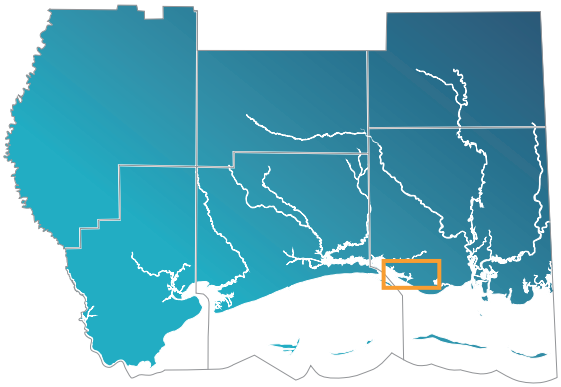
Developed by the National Park Service, National Park Foundation and Heritage Trails Partnership and made possible in part by a grant from the National Park Foundation through the generous support of the Coca-Cola Foundation, tha Davis Bayou Blueway offers an excellent example of a unique and productive ecosystem.

Bayou - A brackish tidal water environment with large areas of saltwater tolerant grasses. Dolphins, alligators, and osprey are often visible.

Maritime Forest - Found beyond the bayou grasses, this type of forest is made up of bush and tree species adapted to salt spray, occasional flooding, and endurance to strong prevailing winds. Loblolly pine, magnolia, live oak, and yaupon holly make up some of these species.

Section	Distances*	Times*
Halstead Bayou	1.4 Miles	70 Minutes
McGhee Loop	0.6 Miles	40 Minutes
Visitor Center Trail	1.3 Miles	60 Minutes

*Approximate



MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA BLUEWAYS

AVOID PADDLING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL. ALWAYS WEAR YOUR LIFE JACKET AND CARRY A WHISTLE OR OTHER SOUND PRODUCING DEVICE, PREFERABLY ATTACHED TO YOUR LIFE JACKET. PADDLERS SHOULD CHECK WATER LEVEL AND TIDES, WEATHER, AND WATERWAY CONDITIONS PRIOR TO EVERY TRIP. REMOVE WHAT YOU BRING, CLEAN UP MORE IF YOU CAN. AVOID TRESPASSING ON PRIVATE LANDS. PLEASE BE AWARE OF YOUR SURROUNDINGS AND ALWAYS RESPECT THE WILDLIFE. REPORT ANY PROBLEMS YOU ENCOUNTER TO THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES IF APPROPRIATE.