

ADVENTURE MAP
INSIDE



HERNANDO
BROOKSVILLE
ARPEKA
MARBETOWN
RIDGE MANOR
SPRING HILL
WEEKI WACHEE

**MERMAIDS
MANATEES
AND MORE**

Hernando

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Spend A Weekend Or A Week . . .

Whatever Pace You Choose . . .

Hernando County Has

Something For Everyone.



Journey to the southwest corner of Hernando County and encounter Aripeka, a picturesque fishing village, two bridges long, with plenty of standing room for fishing and admiring those deep orange sunsets. Take a scenic drive on highway 597 north through Hernando Beach where the sawgrass sweeps out to the horizon. For a really spectacular sight, climb the tower at Hernando Beach Park where you will overlook Jenkins Creek as it flows through the expansive salt marsh into the gulf and beyond.



Further up the coastal road you will cross the Weeki Wachee River. Swim in the cool waters of this spring fed river at Rogers Park, or paddle a canoe and explore the crystal waters for a glimpse of a manatee or other wildlife inhabitant of this territory.

Reaching the intersection of 550 you can choose to go west, out to the beach at Pine Island or the fishing pier at Bayport, both excellent locations to view our spectacular Florida sunsets.



Or, travel east where enchanting mermaids entertain in the depths of the world famous Weeki Wachee Spring.

The community of Spring Hill borders the crossroads of US 19 and SR 50. With plenty of parks, golf courses, restaurants, accommodations and shopping, you will find all the urban comforts here.

However if you are searching for a more rustic experience, head 7 miles south to the crossroads of US 19 and highway 595 to the 6,000 acre Weeki Wachee Preserve where black bears roam and eagles call home.

Where 5 1/2 miles of multi-use marked trails for bicyclists and another 4.3 trails designated for hiking, 7 deep water rock-quarry lakes available for fishing. For canoes, kayaks and rowboats.

Heading east on SR 50 leads you into the charming town of Brooksville. Under spreading oaks enjoy a walk admiring the century old homes and historic courthouse.

The Historical Museum displays photos and artifacts from Florida's colorful past. Or, spend time browsing through the specialty and antique shops near the heart

Scenic Driving Tour

East of the Gulf and West of the River . . . Is a land rich in history and beauty of nature.

of town. In Brooksville you can celebrate Christmas anytime of year when you visit the cottages at Roger's Christmas House. Linger a little longer and enjoy a cup of tea and something sweet at one of the neighboring restaurants.

As you leave Brooksville to the north on US 41 you will find two of the most beautiful lakes in Hernando County. McKethan Lake with its splendid live oak trees and park facilities is the ideal picnic site for two or two hundred, while Lake Lindsey with its boat ramp is very popular with the small boaters and fresh-water fishermen and fisherwomen.

At the junction of US 41 and Highway 476 a turn to the east leads you into the small town of Nobleton, at the edge of the Withlacoochee State Forest. Gently flowing through this dense Florida forest is the famous Withlacoochee River, a favorite among Florida's river connoisseurs. Eerie, yet beautiful reflections are a sight to behold as the slowly flowing river mirrors towering cypress trees and wild fauna . . . reflections broken by oddly shaped cypress knees jutting randomly from the dark tannic waters.



The Withlacoochee State Forest covers the eastern part of Hernando County.

Here visitors and natives enjoy a variety of outdoor recreation. There are horse trails for equestrians, while hikers leave their nature trails, and ATV and dirt bikers leave trails too, all well maintained for your pleasure. Camping sites are

provided at various locations throughout the county including the scenic Silver Lake Recreation Area.



From the rolling hills of eastern and central Hernando County, with its forests and lakes — to the salt waters of the gulf of Mexico teeming with world class sport fishing - your visit to Hernando County is a journey to be enjoyed not just once . . . but an adventure to be experienced again and again.

**To plan your
Hernando County
adventure refer to the
locator map inside.**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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Every Saturday 8:00 am - 2:00 pm
FARMERS' MARKET Fresh produce, plants, homemade soaps and novelties

Main Street in historic downtown Brooksville
Third Saturday of the month (except July & August):
MARKET ON MAIN STREET 8:00 am - 2:00 pm 352.650.6998
Downtown Historic Brooksville. Fresh produce and fruits, plants, arts, crafts, antiques, music, local restaurants, shops, museums, also open.



- JAN.**
 - Florida Classic Clusters AKC
 - All-Breed Dog Show – 352.754.4405
- FEB.**
 - Southeast Area Family Motorcoach Association Rally – 352.796.0154 4 day Rally
- MAR.**
 - Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival – 352.596.2567 2 day festival with over 100 arts & crafts vendors, music & food
 - Annual Nature Coast Pet Expo – 352.796.2711
 - Florida Old Time Music Championship – 352.754.3082

- APR.**
 - Hernando County Fair – 352.796.4552 10 Days of Old Fashioned Family Activities
 - Spring Bluegrass Festival – 352.754.3082

- JULY**
 - Celebrate America – 352.796.0697 Down-home 4th of July celebration
 - Nature Coast Freedom Fest – 352.799.0687 Outdoor concert, fireworks, food, vendors, kids' fun zone and more!

- SEPT.**
 - Labor Day Bluegrass Festival – 352.754.3082 3 days of Bluegrass & Gospel music
 - Annual Red Mule Runners Labor Day Race – 352.796.2132
- OCT.**
 - Founders Day Celebration – 352.544.5407 Week of fun for all the family, Parade, Concerts, Historic Tours
 - Blazin' Butts n' Brisket BBQ Competition – 352.544.5495

- NOV.**
 - Thanksgiving Bluegrass Festival – 352.754.3082 3 days of Bluegrass & Gospel music
 - Pioneer Day – 352.754.6722 Step back into the past and watch demonstrations of early american living

- DEC.**
 - Withlacoochee Rockhounds Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show – 352.688.7810
 - Annual Christmas in Hernando – 352.796.6026 Parade, Festival, Tour of Annual Holiday Tour of Historic Homes
 - Angels on High – 352.686.5476 Handcrafted angels in trees, music & lights



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Information:

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Accommodations - Bed & Breakfast

1 H6 Hill House European Style Bed & Breakfast... 352-345-4466

Accommodations - Hotels & Motels

3 A3 Bayport Inn 352-596-1088
 4 I4 Best Western, Brooksville 352-796-9481
 or 888-568-4060
 5 B4 Quality Inn, Weeki Wachee 352-596-2007
 or 800-490-8268
 6 F4 Budget Inn 352-796-4546
 7 C4 Comfort Inn, Weeki Wachee 352-596-9000
 8 I4 Days Inn 352-796-9486 or 800-329-7666
 9 H4 Hampton Inn, Brooksville 352-796-1000
 or 800-Hampton
 10 A6 Hampton Inn, Spring Hill 352-684-5000
 or 800-Hampton
 11 A5 Hernando Beach Motel/Condos 352-596-2527
 136 D4 Holiday Inn Express Brooksville 352-597-4540
 or 888-465-4329
 137 B5 Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites- Spring Hill
 352-683-5100
 13 II Oaks Motel 352-796-4807
 14 J5 Ridge Manor Motel 352-583-2109
 15 K1 Sunrise Motel 352-796-8634
 16 K1 Sunset Motel 352-796-3494
 141 I4 Microtel Inn & Suites - Brooksville 352-796-9025
 or 800-771-7171
 146 I4 Holiday Inn Express 352-796-0455
 or 800-315-2621

Accommodations - Vacation Rentals

17 J1 Amapola Guest House 352-796-6857
 18 K1 Mary Coogler Cottage Guest House 352-796-6857
 19 G5 MJW Ranch 352-796-9623
 20 H1 Nobleton Outpost 352-796-7176
 or 800-783-5284
 21 A3 River Point Landing 352-592-0097
 22 A4 Weeki Wachee Landing 352-592-0097

Attractions

23 G5 Boyett's Citrus Attraction 352-796-2289
 or 800-780-2296
 21 A3 Cap't. Chuck Sail Cruises 352-597-1220
 or 866-592-0097
 24 L1 Heritage Museum 352-799-0129
 25 L1 Rogers' Christmas House 352-796-2415
 or 877-312-5046
 26 K2 Russell Street Train Station 352-799-0129
 27 B4 Weeki Wachee Springs State Park 352-596-2062
 134 B5 Nature Coast Botanical Gardens 352-683-9933

Bicycle Rentals

140 C4 Black Bear Bike 352-293-2603
 29 H1 Hampton's Edge Trailside Bicycle Shop 352-799-4979

Bird Watching

Hernando Audubon Society 352-754-9436

Boating/Canoe/Kayak Rentals

Withlacoochee River So. Canoe Trail Info... 352-754-6896
 30 A4 Gulfstar Marine 352-596-5079
 20 H1 Nobleton Outpost 352-796-7176
 or 800-783-5284
 31 A4 Snapper Marina 352-596-2952
 32 B4 Weeki Wachee Canoe Rental 352-597-0360
 33 A4 Weeki Wachee Marina 352-596-2852

Boat Ramp

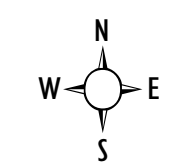
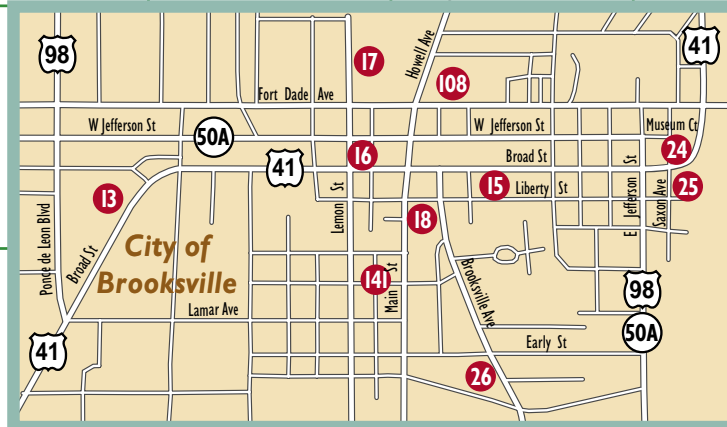
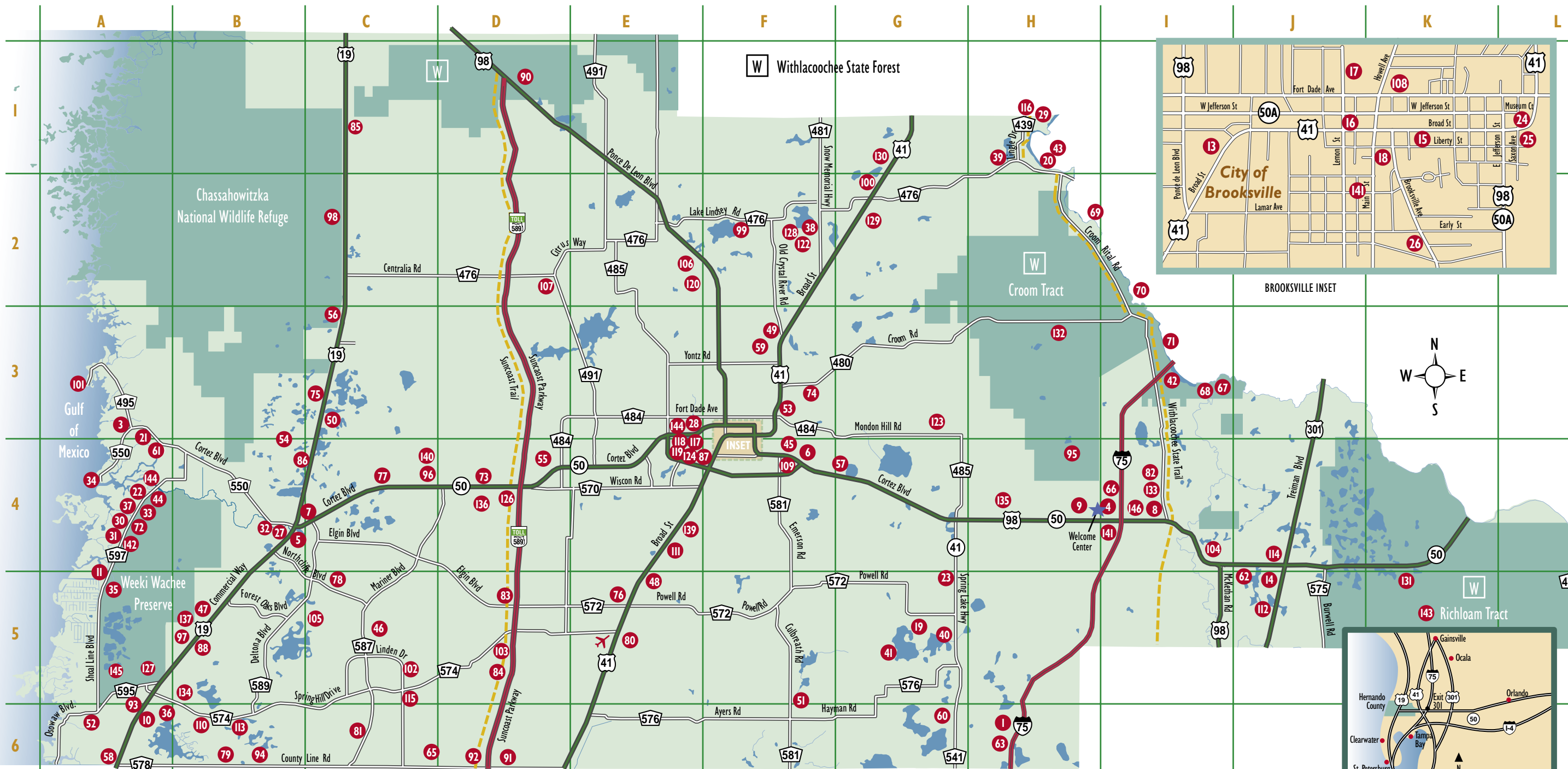
34 A4 Bayport US 19 to CR 550
 35 A5 Hernando Beach US 19 to CR 550 to
 CR 597 Shoal Line Blvd
 36 A6 Hunters Lake US 19 to Spring Hill Dr E to
 Kenlake Ave - R & follow signs
 37 A4 Jenkins Creek Shoal Line Blvd / CR 597
 38 F2 Lake Lindsey US 41 N to CR 476 E / Lake Lindsey Rd
 39 H1 Lake Townsen US 41 N to CR 476 E / Lake Lindsey Rd
 40 G5 Mountain Lake SR 50 to CR 541/Spring Lake Hwy
 41 G5 Neff Lake Powell Rd to Majestic Oak Ln
 42 I3 Silver Lake SR 50 E to Croom Rital Rd
 43 H1 Nobleton Wayside Park US 41 N to CR 476 E / Lake Lindsey Rd
 44 A4 Weeki Wachee River/Rogers Park SR 50 to CR 550 to
 CR 597 / Shoal Line Blvd

Bowling Centers

45 F4 Louie's Bowling Center 352-799-1987
 46 C5 Mariner Bowling Lanes 352-683-7576
 47 B5 Spring Hill Lanes 352-683-7272

Campgrounds - Private

48 E5 Big Tree Mobile Home RV Village 352-796-4141
 49 F3 Belle Parc RV & Outdoor Vacation Resort 352-796-5760
 50 C3 Camp-A-Wyle Lake Resort 352-596-2139
 51 F5 Campers Holiday Travel Park 352-796-3707
 52 A6 Chief Aripeka Travel Park 352-686-3329
 53 F3 Cloverleaf Forest Mobile Home RV Park 352-796-8016
 54 B4 Cody's Catfish Pond & RV Park 352-596-6010
 55 D4 Frontier Campground 352-796-9988



56 C3 Hawks Nest RV Park & Campground 352-596-7959
 57 G4 Hidden Valley Campground 352-796-8710
 58 A6 Holiday Springs Trav-L Park 352-583-0034
 59 F3 Lakeside Mobile Manor 352-796-4600
 60 G6 Lakewood Retreat 352-796-4097
 61 A4 Mary's Fish Camp 352-596-2359
 62 J5 Ridge Manor Campground 352-583-2737
 63 H6 Sertoma Youth Ranch 352-754-3082
 65 C6 Topics RV Park 352-796-0625

Campgrounds - State
 Information & Brochures 352-754-6896
 66 I4 Buttgenbach Mine (Croom) Campground
 67 I3 Crooked River Campground
 68 I3 Cypress Glen Campground
 69 I2 Hog Island
 70 H2 Iron Bridge
 71 I3 River Junction
 42 I3 Silver Lake Campground

Dive/Scuba
 142 A4 Rock Boss Charters 352-303-2718
 144 E3 Twin Dolphin Dive Center 352-303-2718

Fishing Docks/Piers
 Information 352-754-4031
 34 A4 Bayport Park US 19 to CR 550
 72 A4 Elderly/Handicap Fishing Facility Across from Jenkins Creek
 35 A5 Hernando Beach Park US 19 to CR 550 to CR 597
 Shoal Line Blvd
 36 A6 Hunters Lake US 19 to Spring Hill Dr E to
 Kenlake Ave - R & follow signs
 37 A4 Jenkins Creek Park US 19 to CR 550 to CR 597 Shoal Line Blvd

39 H1 Lake Townsen US 41 N to CR 476 E / Lake Lindsey Rd
 43 H1 Nobleton Wayside Park US 41 N to CR 476 E / Lake Lindsey Rd
 44 A4 Weeki Wachee River/Rogers Park US 19 to CR 550
 to CR 597 / Shoal Line Blvd

Fishing Charters/Guides
 Always Fishing Guide 352-666-6234
 Angling Adventure Guide 352-686-0853
 Capt. Brad Bradley 352-597-4747
 Capt. Jim Bradley 352-596-5639
 Capt. Sam Medigovich 352-592-2559
 Capt. Rick 352-398-9395 or 352-799-6667
 Capt. Rick Rodriguez 727-992-9494
 Capt. Ronnie Richards 352-596-0308
 Capt. Eric Thomas 352-799-0776
 Double Trouble Charters 352-596-5151
 Party Boat Thunder 352-597-3900
 Rock Boss Charters 352-303-2718
 Warsaw Warrior Fishing Charters 352-684-1286

Gardens
 134 B5 Nature Coast Botanical Gardens 352-683-9933

Golf Courses
 73 D4 Brookridge Country Club Golf Assoc. 352-596-8161
 74 F3 Brooksville Golf & Country Club 352-796-8879
 75 C3 Glen Lakes Golf & Country Club 352-597-1118
 76 E5 Hernando Oaks 352-799-9908
 77 C4 High Point Golf Club 352-596-0308
 78 C5 Oak Hills Golf Club 352-683-6830
 79 B6 Quail Ridge Golf & Country Club 352-796-2630
 80 E5 Rivard Golf Club 352-796-1410
 81 C6 Seven Hills Golf Club 352-688-8888
 82 I4 Sherman Hills Golf Club 352-544-0990

83 D5 Silverthorn Golf & Country Club 352-799-2600
 139 E4 Southern Hills Plantation Golf Course 352-277-5000
 84 D5 Spring Hill Golf & Country Club 352-683-2261
 85 C1 The Dunes Golf Club at Seville 352-596-7888
 86 B4 The Heather Golf & Country Club 352-596-2019
 87 E4 The Quarry 352-544-5485
 88 B5 Timber Pines Golf & Country Club 352-666-2338
 90 D1 World Woods 352-796-5500

Miniature Golf/Driving Range
 92 D6 Blue Tees Driving Range 352-796-3197

Motorcycles & All Terrain Cycles
 95 H4 Croom Motorcycle Area (I-75 & SR 50) 352-754-6896

Movie Theatre
 96 C4 Beacon Theatres (SR 50 & Mariner) 352-592-1001
 97 B5 Touchstar Spring Hill 8 352-666-6656

Parks - State
 98 C2 Chassahowitzka National Wildlife Nature Center
 Information 352-563-2088
 99 F2 Chinesegut National Wildlife Refuge 352-754-6722
 100 G2 Withlacoochee State Forest - Information 352-754-6896

Parks - County
 Information & Brochures 352-754-4031
 101 A3 Alfred McKethan Park - Pine Island CR 550 Cortez Blvd
 to CR 495 - Pine Island Dr
 102 C5 Amity Trails Coronado Dr Spring Hill
 103 D5 Anderson Snow Park Anderson Snow Rd Spring Hill
 34 A4 Bayport Park CR 550 Cortez Blvd on the Gulf of Mexico
 104 I4 Cypress Lake Preserve SR 50 & Ridge Manor Blvd

105 C5 Delta Woods Park Deltona Blvd
 106 E2 Ernie Weaver Youth Park Hwy 98 N
 107 D2 Fickett Hammock Preserve Centralia Rd at Citrus Way
 35 A5 Hernando Beach Park CR 597 - Shoal Line Blvd
 108 K1 Hernando Park Downtown Brooksville
 135 H4 Hill N' Dale Park Boxwood St
 37 A4 Jenkins Creek Park CR 597 - Shoal Line Blvd
 109 F4 Kennedy Park SR 50 E
 39 H1 Lake Townsen Regional Park CR 476 E - Lake Lindsey Rd E
 110 B6 Little Red School House Ballfield Kenlake Ave Spring Hill
 111 E4 Lonnie Coburn Park US 41 S
 112 J5 Miller Memorial Gardens Ridge Manor
 43 H1 Nobleton Wayside Park CR 476 E - Lake Lindsey Rd E
 145 A5 Pederson Park CR 595 - Shoal Line Blvd
 113 B6 Pioneer Park Pinehurst Dr Spring Hill
 114 J4 Ridge Manor Community Park Ridge Manor Blvd
 44 A4 Rogers Park CR 597 - Shoal Line Blvd
 115 C5 Veterans Memorial Park Spring Hill Dr
 116 H1 Withlacoochee Bicentennial Hall Istachatta

Parks - City
 Information 352-544-5495
 117 E4 Tom Varn Park SR 50 & Darby Ln
 118 E4 McKethan Park Hwy 41 S & John Gary Grubbs Blvd

Racquetball Courts
 118 E4 McKethan Park Hwy 41 S & John Gary Grubbs Blvd

Roller Skating Rinks
 119 E4 Rainbow Rollerland 352-796-0040

Skateboarding
 113 B6 Stewy's Skate Park 352-754-4027

Swimming
 101 A3 Alfred McKethan Park - Pine Island CR 550 Cortez Blvd
 to CR 495 - Pine Island Dr
 35 A5 Hernando Beach Park CR 597 - Shoal Line Blvd
 44 A4 Rogers Park CR 597 - Shoal Line Blvd

Tennis Courts
 118 E4 McKethan Park Hwy 41 S & John Gary Grubbs Blvd
 105 C5 Delta Woods Park Deltona Blvd
 108 F3 Hernando Park Downtown Brooksville
 120 E2 Pasco-Hernando Community College Hwy 98 N

Tours
 122 F2 Chinesegut Hill Manor House 352-796-2242
 24 L1 Heritage Museum 352-799-0129
 26 K2 Russell Street Train Station 352-799-0129
 Hernando Charter Services 352-596-4747

Trails - Biking
 103 D5 Anderson Snow Park (Suncoast Trailhead) 352-754-4031
 124 E3 Jerome Brown Community Center 352-544-5400
 39 H1 Lake Townsen 352-754-4031
 126 D4 Suncoast Trail 800-749-7453
 127 A5 Weeki Wachee Preserve 352-796-7211
 132 H3 Withlacoochee State Forest 352-754-6896
 133 I4 Withlacoochee State Trail - 46 Mi. 352-726-0313

Trails - Hiking & Nature
 102 C5 Amity Trails 352-754-4031
 103 D5 Anderson Snow Park 352-754-4031

128 F2 Chinesegut Nature Center Trail 352-754-6722
 129 G2 Colonel Robins Nature Trail 352-754-6896
 132 H3 Croom Hiking Trail 352-754-6896
 104 I4 Cypress Lake Preserve 352-754-4031
 105 C5 Delta Woods Park 352-754-4031
 107 D2 Fickett Hammock Preserve 352-754-4031
 124 E4 Jerome Brown Community Center 352-544-5498
 39 H1 Lake Townsen 352-754-4031
 130 G1 McKethan Lake Nature Trail 352-754-6896
 134 B5 Nature Coast Botanical Gardens 352-683-9933
 143 K5 Richloam Hiking Trail w/camping 352-754-6896
 114 J4 Ridge Manor Community Park 352-754-4031
 126 D4 Suncoast Trail 800-749-7453
 117 C5 Tom Varn Park 352-754-5495
 115 C5 Veterans Memorial Park 352-754-4031
 127 A5 Weeki Wachee Preserve 352-796-7211
 132 H3 Withlacoochee State Forest 352-754-6896
 133 I4 Withlacoochee State Trail 352-726-0313

Trails - Horse
 132 H3 Croom Horse Trails - 30 Mi. 352-754-6896
 133 I4 Withlacoochee State Trail - 46 Mi. 352-726-0313

Trails - Roller Blade
 124 E4 Jerome Brown Community Center 352-544-5400
 126 D4 Suncoast Trail 800-749-7453
 133 I4 Withlacoochee State Trail 352-726-0313