

The Great Calusa Blueway Pine Island Sound - Matlacha Pass



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2

Estimated mile marks

Advanced paddlers
No trail markers

Trail marker
GPS coordinates

Channels
Major boating channels

MARKER
2
GREAT CALUSA BLUEWAY

Trail markers
Selected markers shown

NOT FOR NAVIGATIONAL USE
For local navigation charts, see those listed below:
NOAA Charts:
#11426 Charlotte Harbor - Estero Bay
#11427 ICW from Estero to Boca Grande
Waterproof Charts:
#15F Fish Dive Sites - Marco to Tampa
#20 ICW Fort Myers to Stewart
#21 ICW Fort Myers to Tampa
#25 Cape Romano to Boca Grande
#121F Sanibel To Venice

County sites
Calusa Land Trust sites
State sites
Federal sites

ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS OF INTEREST
Connections to paddling trails managed by the Calusa Land Trust are identified by the symbols below. For detailed information on each of them, visit www.calusablueway.com or www.calusalandtrust.org. The Calusa Land Trust and Nature Preserve of Pine Island Inc. acquires and preserves environmentally sensitive and historically important land.

- A SHELL CUT, CALUSA LAND RESERVE**
- B FRITTS PARK**
- C KREIE & BIG JIM CREEK PRESERVES**
- D UNDERHILL CREEK CANOE TRAIL**
- E ST. JUDE TRAIL - ST. JAMES CREEK PRESERVE**
- F BACK BAY PRESERVE**
- G PINE ISLAND FLATWOODS PRESERVE**
- H PINE ISLAND COMMERCIAL MARINA**
Only open for recreational use on weekends and county recognized holidays.
- I BOWMAN'S BEACH**
- J GASPARILLA ISLAND STATE PARK**
- K 19TH STREET ACCESS (BAYSIDE)**

- LEGEND**
- Boat Launch
 - Paddle Craft Launch
 - Parking (not always free)
 - Restaurant or Concession
 - Phone
 - Picnic Facilities
 - Restrooms
 - Hiking
 - Biking
 - Camping
 - Historic Site

Highlights & Access Points

- 1 CAYO COSTA STATE PARK**
GPS: N26 41 08 W82 14 43 This island, accessible by watercraft only, has beach, paddle craft launch, nature trails, tent camping, primitive cabin rentals (sleeps 6 people), kayak rentals, bicycle rentals and overnight boat slips. Entrance fee. www.floridastateparks.org. 941-964-0375. Cabin and campsite reservations - 1-800-326-3521. Kayak rental concessionaire and ferry service - 239-283-0015.
- 2 CABBAGE KEY**
GPS: N26 39 23 W82 13 20 At Intracoastal Waterway Marker 60. Paddle craft landing and fishing guide services. www.cabbagekey.com. 239-283-2278.
- 3 JUG CREEK COTTAGES/CAYO COSTA LAND BASE**
GPS: N26 42 20 W82 09 33 State park cabins sleep up to six people. Paddle craft rentals, shuttle service to Cayo Costa State Park. Restaurant nearby. www.tropicstarcruires.com or www.leeparks.org. 239-283-0015.
- 4 BOKEELIA BOAT RAMP/LAVENDER'S LANDING**
GPS: N26 41 39 W82 08 45 The Lee County facility located on Barrancas Street offers powerboat and paddle craft launch, kayak rentals, parking (fee), rustic cottages and a ship's store. www.tropicstarcruires.com. 239-283-0015 or 239-533-7275.
- 5 CHARLOTTE HARBOR PRESERVE STATE PARK ANNIE'S CREEK**
GPS: N26 44 37 W82 03 17 The creek is part of the state preserve with parking along Old Burnt Store Road. Hike in to unimproved primitive launch. No facilities.
- 6 FLORIDA PADDLESPORTS**
GPS: N26 47 13 W82 02 14 Paddle craft rentals and sales; nearby access to the east side of Matlacha Pass. 239-214-8300.
- 7 VILLAGE OF PINELAND**
GPS: N26 41 15 W81 47 36 A historic village on the western shore of Pine Island featuring:
RANDELL RESEARCH CENTER
GPS: N26 39 40 W82 09 11 Features the Calusa Heritage Trail, a 3,700-foot self-guided interpretive path. Call for guided tour schedule. 239-283-2062 and 239-283-2157.
PINE ISLAND LAND MONUMENT
GPS: N26 39 33 W82 09 10 Small Lee County park on Waterfront Drive with paddle craft landing and limited parking. No facilities. 239-533-7275.
- 8 SIRENIA VISTA PARK**
GPS: N26 38 30 W82 03 21 This City of Cape Coral Park, located at the end of Celtus Parkway, has an unimproved paddle craft launch area. 239-549-4606.
- 9 OLDE FISH HOUSE MARINA**
GPS: N26 37 50 W82 04 12 Boat ramp and rentals, bait, tackle, ice, fish market and seasonal restaurant. 239-282-9577.
- 10 MATLACHA PARK AND BOAT RAMP**
GPS: N26 37 38 W82 04 11 This Lee County facility has a paddle craft launch separate from the boat ramp with other park amenities and a community center. www.leeparks.org. 239-533-7275.
- 11 TROPICAL POINT**
GPS: N26 32 48 W82 04 50 Small Lee County park at the end of Tropical Drive with paddle craft landing and limited parking. 239-533-7275.
- 12 PICNIC ISLAND**
GPS: N26 29 25 W82 02 59 Primitive camping on an island near the mouth of the Caloosahatchee River.
- 13 BARNACLE PHIL'S**
GPS: N26 36 06 W82 13 04 Located on North Captiva. Food, marina supplies, boat dock. 239-472-1200.
- 14 CAPTIVA** Featuring:
CAPTIVA KAYAK CO. & WILDSIDE ADVENTURES
GPS: N26 31 18 W82 11 19 At McCarthy's Marina. Paddle craft rentals, guide services, paddle craft landing. www.captivakayaks.com. 239-395-2925.
ANDY ROSSI LANE
GPS: N26 31 19 W82 11 19 A small Lee County right of way with access to area restaurants. No Parking.
- 15 ADVENTURE SEA KAYAKS**
GPS: N26 30 36 W82 11 25 At 'Tween Waters Inn. Offers paddle craft rentals, guided tours. www.kayak-captiva.com. 239-822-3337.
- 16 TURNER BEACH AT BLIND PASS**
GPS: N26 28 58 W82 11 00 Lee County park with great shelling and beach swimming. Parking on Gulf side (fee). www.leeparks.org. 239-533-7275.
- 17 J.N. "DING" DARLING NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**
GPS: N26 26 42 W82 06 48 A 6,400-acre refuge with visitor center, interpretive programs, hiking and biking trails, fishing and crabbing, tram tours, paddle craft launching. Launching permitted on right side of Wildlife Drive only. Refuge open daily, but tram tours and road closed Fridays. Entrance fee. www.fws.gov/dingdarling. 239-472-1100.
- 18 TARPON BAY EXPLORERS**
GPS: N26 26 31 W82 04 58 Located in the J.N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge. Paddle craft rentals, bike and pontoon boat rentals, kayak and fishing guide services, bait and tackle, gift shop, boat tours, interpretive programs. www.tarponbayexplorers.com. 239-472-8900.
- 19 SANIBEL BOAT RAMP**
GPS: N26 27 12 W82 02 09 City of Sanibel facility on the east side of the causeway. www.sanibel.org/boatramp.html. Parking (fee). 239-472-6397.
- 20 SANIBEL FISHING PIER AND LIGHTHOUSE**
GPS: N26 27 10 W82 00 51 City of Sanibel facility at tip of island stretching from fishing pier on San Carlos Bay to Gulf beach with historic lighthouse. Parking (fee). 239-472-6397.
- 21 SANIBEL CAUSEWAY ISLAND PARK**
GPS: N26 28 08 W82 01 43 Lee County site on Sanibel Causeway between bridges. www.leeparks.org. 239-533-7275.
- 22 PUNTA RASSA BOAT RAMP**
GPS: N26 29 04 W82 00 37 Lee County boat ramp and paddle craft launch site is off the north side of Summerlin Road just before the Sanibel Bridge toll booth. Parking (fee). www.leeparks.org. 239-533-7275.
- 23 ADVENTURES IN PARADISE, INC.**
GPS: N26 29 23 W81 59 18 Open daily at Port Sanibel Marina. Parking, paddle craft launch (fee), fishing gear, paddle craft rentals, guided tours, walking nature trail. www.adventureinparadisec.com. 239-472-8443.
- 24 SAN CARLOS BAY - BUNCHE BEACH PRESERVE**
GPS: N26 28 33 W81 58 02 Lee County site with varied ecosystems including sandy beaches and mangroves. Excellent opportunities for bird observation. 731 acres. Kayak rental available. www.leeparks.org. 239-297-7011. 239-533-7275.
- 25 ACE PERFORMER WINDSURF/KAYAK SHOP**
GPS: N26 29 50 W81 58 16 Kayak rentals and sales. www.aceperformer.com. 239-489-3513.