



Blueway # 4

# The Jungle

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# Convenient Functionality Built into This Guide

Map 1 of 2 - Santee Canal N. Moultrie




This map corresponds with route directions numbered 1 - 5, and 8.

## On Map Pages:

Using your phone (or touch-screen enabled device), tap any of the route numbers to bring up a map of the exact location!



Route - Santee Canal N. Moultrie

| Route Directions |   |
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| 1                | From the boat ramp at Angel's Landing Marina, turn left, heading in a northeast direction.<br><b>LOOK →</b>  <b>Click on individual route directions to bring up map of exact location!</b>    |
| 2                | At 0.1 mile, pass by island of tall grass. It's best to pass on the left side, closest to the mainland. Continue in slight northeast direction.   |
| 3                | Pass by tip of island at 0.6 miles. Begin to even more northeastern direction towards another large island 0.3 mile away.   |
| 4                | At 0.9 mile, paddle around southern tip of island, head into center of bay, paddling towards upper right corner of bay. This is where the canal opening is located.   |
| 5                | Enter Santee Canal at 1.4 miles. This is a narrow, shallow waterway (no more than 20 yards wide and maintains a depth of 4-5 feet).<br>Enjoy the calm waters of the Santee Canal. Keep an eye out for wildlife, including alligators, deer, wild boar and a variety of waterfowl. |
| 6                | Come to railroad crossing over the canal at 2.8 miles. The canal will begin to narrow shortly after the railroad crossing.  |
| 7                | At 3.2 miles, come to the obvious end of the canal.<br><b>Return the same way you came.</b>   |
| 8                | Option. Turn a hard left when leaving the canal and head into a field of lilies. This is picturesque and worth the extra 20-30 minutes, particularly when everything is in bloom!   |

## On Route Direction Pages:

Tap anywhere in the individual direction boxes to bring up a map of the exact location!

# The Jungle – E. Lake Moultrie



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*Crossing the open water from the boat ramp to The Jungle entrance.*

## Summary

The Jungle is an enclosed tupelo swamp with an appearance like the famed Okefenokee Swamp of south Georgia, but on a much smaller scale. The waters are heavily grown with water lilies, lotus plants and various grasses. There are many options for exploration on this paddle.

## Difficulty

Moderate. The lilies/vegetation can be overgrown and tough to push through, but well worth the effort.

## Distance

4 - 6 miles, roundtrip, opportunity for a lot more exploration.

## Time

2.5 hours, minimum

## *Hundreds of acres of water lilies and lotus plants!*

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| <b>Crowds</b>            | Light. The Jungle is not navigable by larger motor boats.              |
| <b>Boat Type</b>         | Kayaks or canoes 10-feet or longer. Paddle boards are not recommended. |
| <b>Put In / Take Out</b> | Amos Lee Gourdine Boat Ramp, Russel Store Road, St. Stephen, SC 29479. |

GPS: 33.402138, -79.992848  
33°24'07.7"N, 79°59'34.3"W

Directions: All GPS and mapping applications recognize this address.

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| <b>Fees/Permits</b>    | None   |
| <b>Current</b>         | Negligible, generally southwest direction  |
| <b>Tidal Influence</b> | None   |
| <b>Precautions:</b>    | You'll stay close to the shoreline on this route and won't have to cross any large bodies of water. Winds can intensify on Lake Moultrie resulting in waves/whitecaps. |

There are hundreds of tree stumps just inches below the water's surface, particularly the closer you get to the entrance of The Jungle. These can flip a paddler if a boat gets wedged on top. **Tip:** these stumps can usually be seen with polarized sunglasses.



This map corresponds with route directions numbered 1 - 5 on page 6.

| <b>Route Directions - see map on page 5</b> |  |
|---|--|
| <b>1</b>                                    | From the Amos Lee Gourdine Boat Ramp, turn left, going around the peninsula, and head in a south direction, staying close to the shore.  |
| <b>2</b>                                    | Continue paralleling close to shore.   |
| <b>3</b>                                    | At 1.4 miles, turn left into 300-ft. wide opening. This is the first opening you encounter when paralleling the shore that goes back into an open area. This is The Jungle entrance. |
| <b>4</b>                                    | Continue into main body of The Jungle. There are obvious paths of exploration, or you can make your own. There's lots to see here!   |
| <b>5</b>                                    | Option: Continue navigating east through The Jungle until you reach the black water canal that parallels the dike.<br><b>Return the same way you came.</b>                           |



*Nesting Great Blue Heron in early Spring at The Jungle.*



*The narrow, interesting paths of The Jungle.*