



Walkway # 10

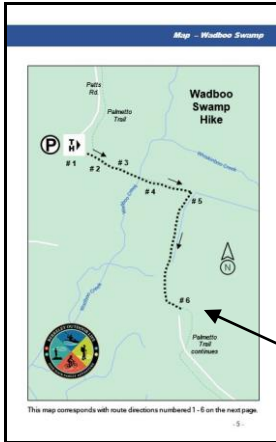
# Mepkin Abbey

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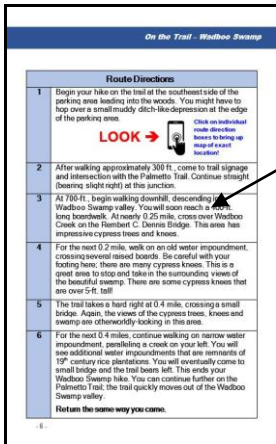


# Convenient Functionality Built into This Guide



## 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!

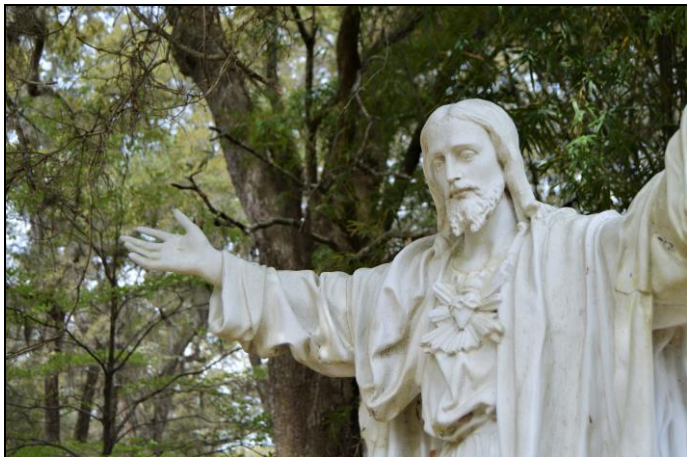


## On Route Direction Pages:

Tap anywhere in the individual *On the Trail* route boxes to bring up a map of the exact location!



## Mepkin Abbey



*You will find many sculptures around the grounds at Mepkin Abbey.*

### **Summary**

Walk the grounds of a Roman Catholic Trappist monastery. Located on the grounds of the historic Mepkin Plantation on the Cooper River, you will see landscaped vistas, beautiful gardens, ornate sculptures and the Mepkin Abbey Church. This is a fantastic trek for the entire family and a great place to have a picnic. Walk all the way to the Cooper River. You are treated to impressive live oaks and panoramic scenery.

### **Difficulty**

Easy.

### **Distance**

0.5 - 1.5 + miles. Treat this walk as exploration.

### **Time**

Plan to spend 2 -3 hours.

### **Trail Surface**

Pathways, asphalt and dirt roads, crossing over lawns/grass.

## *Saunter on the grounds of a beautiful Trappist monastery*

**Crowds** Moderate to heavy crowds, especially on the weekends.

**Fees/Permits** None. Parts of the abbey may be closed at times for religious purposes.

**Precautions:** Biting insects can be formidable in warmer months. Bring insect repellent. **No dogs are allowed.**

Watch for alligators around some of the ponds.

IMPORTANT: This is a working monastery. Please dress modestly, be mindful of foul language, and show respect to clergy members and any religious services.

**Parking** 1098 Mepkin Abbey, Moncks Corner, SC 29641. 843-761-8509. [www.mepkinabbey.com](http://www.mepkinabbey.com). Park in the Reception Center/Gift Shop parking lot.



GPS: 33.115964, -79.950910  
33°06'57.5"N, 79°57'03.3"W

**Weather at the Abbey**

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This map corresponds with route directions the next page.

### Route Directions

- 1** After entering the grounds of Mepkin Abbey, proceed down Mepkin Abbey Rd, following the signs for the Reception Center & Gift Shop. Park here. It is best to grab a free map from the Reception Center.

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**Click on individual route direction boxes to bring up map of exact location!**

- 2** For the purposes of this guide, we will not provide specific “trail routes.” Mepkin Abbey is best treated as an exploration walk. Using the map on the previous page, and the map you received at the Reception Center, wander the beautiful grounds. There are gardens, statues, sculptures, wood carvings, ponds, stunning views of the Cooper River and you are nearly guaranteed to see wildlife along the way.

Bring a camera, and maybe even a picnic. This is a peaceful and special place to spend a couple hours.



*Appropriate message to all who visit Mepkin Abbey.*



*Unique wood carving statues at Mepkin Abbey.*