



Blueway # 18

# Huger / Quinby Creek

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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

1 From the boat ramp at Angel's Landing Marina, turn left, heading in a northeast direction.

**LOOK →**



Click on individual route directions to bring up map of exact location!

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).

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.

**Return the same way you came.**

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!



## Huger / Quinby Creek

# 18



*Huger / Quinby Creek is a great spot for kayak fishing.*

### Summary

This easy paddle meanders through marshland and rice fields. This is a tributary of the East Branch Cooper River. You're guaranteed to see lots of large waterfowl and the creeks are lined with flowering lily pads in the warmer months. This area also offers some of the best fishing around; excellent pan fish and bass are easy to find in these creeks.

### Difficulty

Easy

### Distance

3.9 miles one-way

### Time

2 - 4 hours

**Crowds** Light to moderate. These creeks are popular with smaller motorized boats because of the great fishing.

**Boat Type** Kayaks or canoes 10-feet or longer.

**You can stage 2 vehicles or do an “up & back” paddle**

**Put In** Ralph Hamer Sr. Landing, 3800 Cainhoj Road, Huger, SC 29450.

GPS: 33.094700, -79.807426  
33°05'40.9"N, 79°48'26.7"W

**Take Out** Huger Recreation Area Landing, HWY 402, Cordesville, SC 29434.

GPS: 33.131327, -79.811059  
33°07'52.8"N, 79°48'39.8"W

**Fees/Permits** None

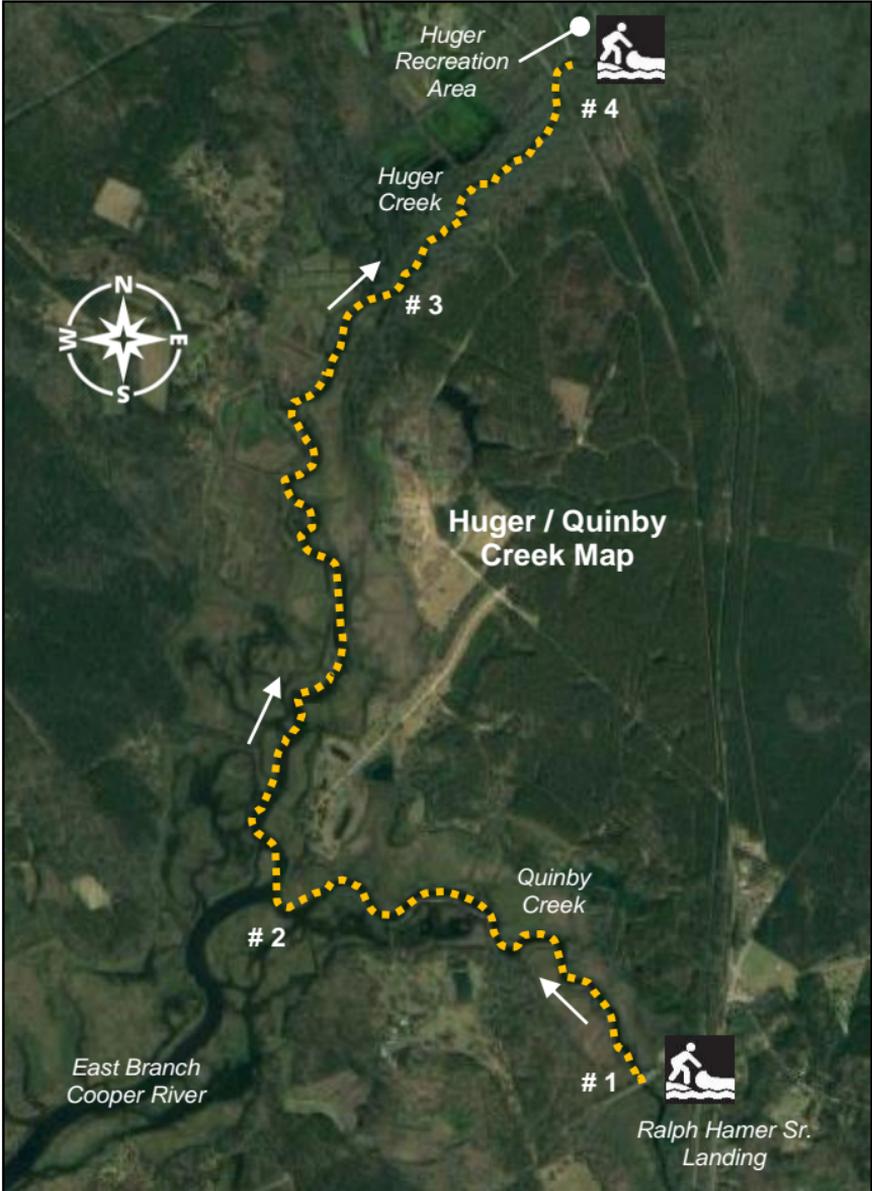
**Current** Flows in southwest direction.

**Tidal Influence** Yes, tide is approximately 2 hours behind Charleston Harbor tide table.

**Precautions:** The creek borders tall grass and rice fields for the first 2.5 miles, offering little shade; take extra water and wear a wide brim sun hat in warmer months.

It's advisable to wear bright orange during hunting season in the Francis Marion National Forest.

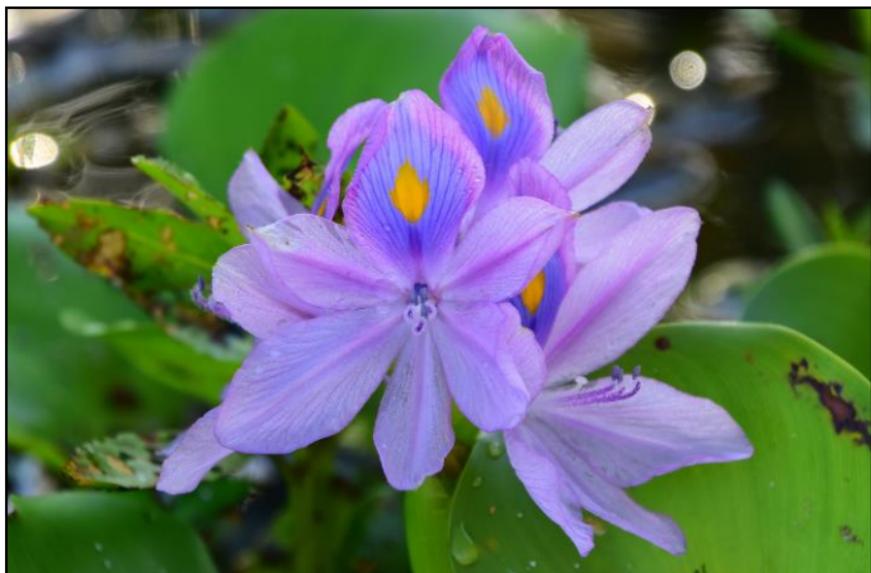
**Map – Huger / Quinby Creek**



This map corresponds with route directions numbered 1 - 4 on page 6.

**Route Directions - see map on page 5**

1	<p>Note: This can be paddled from either landing, and it's short enough that you can paddle both directions in a morning or afternoon. For the purposes of this guide, the route directions are from the Ralph Hamer Sr. Landing on Quinby Creek.</p> <p>From the boat ramp, turn right, heading in a northwest direction. Quinby Creek meanders through marshland and old rice fields.</p>
2	<p>Reach the East Branch Cooper River at 1.3 miles. The creek widens significantly here, and you'll see remnants of old rice field dikes on the left bank as you approach the river.</p> <p><b>IMPORTANT:</b> Turn right to head into Huger Creek. You will soon notice a change to higher ground with more forestation.</p>
3	<p>By approximately the 3.0 mile point, the creek is more heavily forested and offers a little more reprieve from the sun.</p>
4	<p>At 3.9 miles, cross under a railroad bridge. 400-ft. ahead on the left is the Huger Recreation Area Landing.</p>



*Beautiful flowers of lower Huger Creek.*



*Paddling near the bridge at Huger Recreation Area landing.*