

# CAROLINA BEACH STATE PARK

## TRAILS

**Flytrap Trail** is a pleasant wheelchair-accessible half-mile loop through pocosin, longleaf pine and turkey oak and savanna communities. Venus flytraps can be seen along the edges of the pocosins, and native orchids bloom along the trail. Parts of the trail travel along wooden boardwalks. Please stay on the trail to avoid damaging small and fragile plants.

Easy 0.5 miles ◆ orange diamonds

**Sugarloaf Trail**, marked with orange circles, is a three-mile excursion that begins at the marina parking area. This trail offers great birding as you wind your way through several distinct habitats. Journey through a coastal evergreen forest, a coastal fringe sandhill forest, a tidal gum swamp and a longleaf pine savannah on your way to the Sugarloaf Dune, a prominent pre-Colonial and Civil War geological feature.

Easy 3.0 miles ● orange circles

**Campground Trail** is one mile in length. It begins and ends at the family campground and briefly joins Sugarloaf Trail. Much of the trail leads through a coastal fringe sandhill forest. This plant community, dominated by longleaf pines and live oaks, is threatened and becoming very rare.

Easy 1.0 miles ● blue circles

**Snow's Cut Trail**, less than a half-mile long, travels from the family campground to the picnic area. The largest pine and hardwood trees in the park may be seen along this trail.

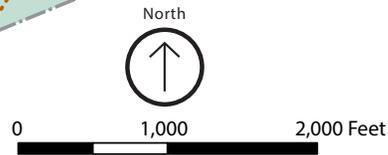
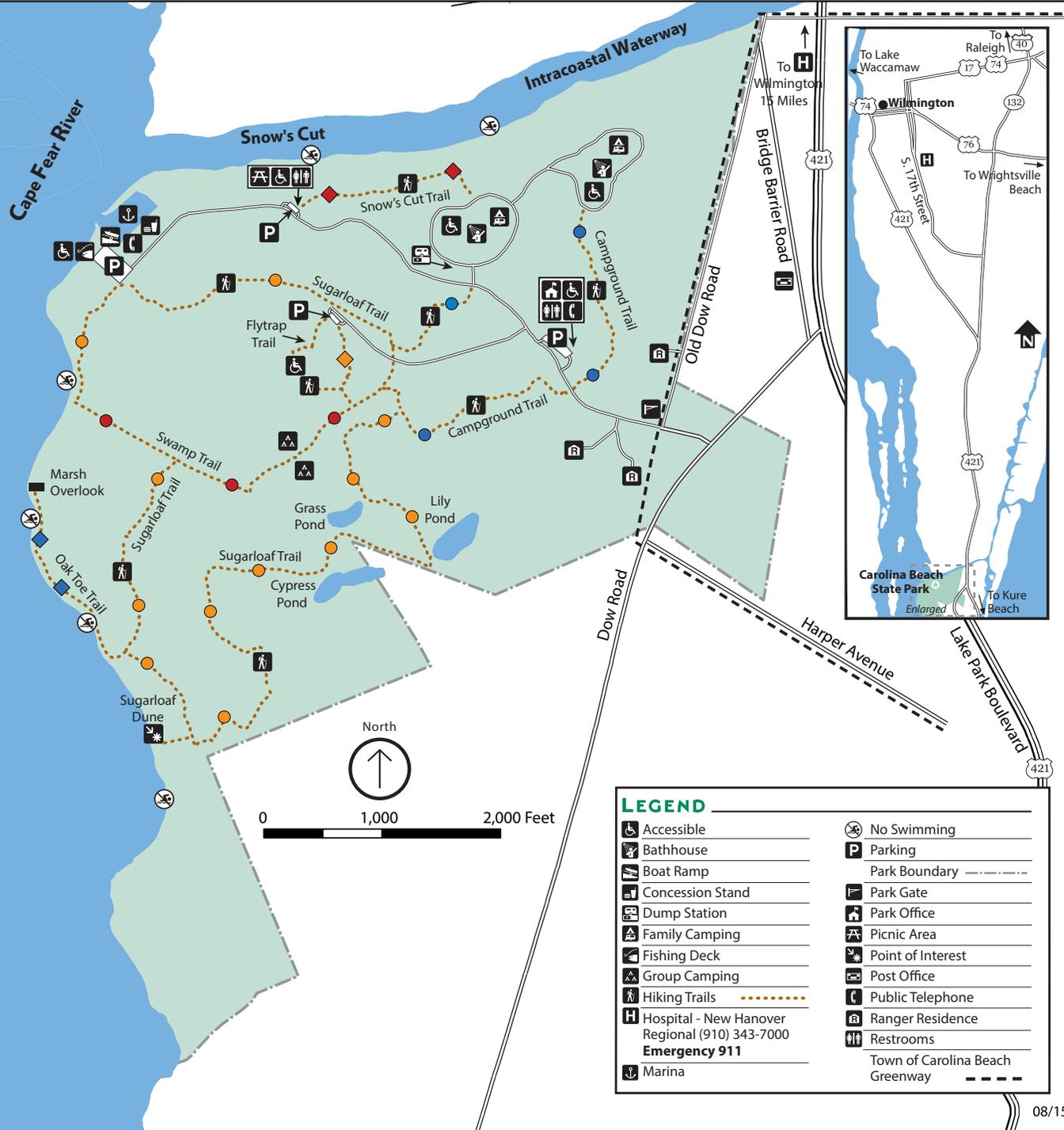
Easy .45 miles ◆ red diamonds

**Swamp Trail**, a three-quarter mile trail marked with red circles, begins and ends along Sugarloaf Trail. It provides access to the group camping areas, as well as views of a tidal cypress-gum swamp and brackish marsh that run opposite one another along the trail.

Easy .75 miles ● red circles

**Oak Toe Trail** is a quarter mile spur trail off of the Sugarloaf Trail and is marked with blue diamonds. View dwarf palmetto and oak toe lichen as you journey to the river's edge with an eventual destination of the Marsh Overlook. Great views of the Cape Fear River await and the brackish marsh is a great place to see fiddler crabs as they navigate the mudflats.

Easy .25 miles ◆ blue diamonds



LEGEND	
	Accessible
	Bathhouse
	Boat Ramp
	Concession Stand
	Dump Station
	Family Camping
	Fishing Deck
	Group Camping
	Hiking Trails <span style="color: orange;">-----</span>
	Hospital - New Hanover Regional (910) 343-7000
	Emergency 911
	Marina
	No Swimming
	Parking
	Park Boundary <span style="color: gray;">-----</span>
	Park Gate
	Park Office
	Picnic Area
	Point of Interest
	Post Office
	Public Telephone
	Ranger Residence
	Restrooms
	Town of Carolina Beach Greenway <span style="color: gray;">-----</span>