

Markham Woods Mountain Bike trails

Nearest Town: Sanford, Florida

County: Seminole

Up to 9 miles of interesting mountain biking trails



General description:

Located at the Markham Woods Park, this is an easy to intermediate network of mountain bike trails for you to enjoy. This trailhead also allows you access the paved Seminole Wekiva Trail.

Surface and bike style:

This is mostly hard-packed sand. A few areas of a bit of loose sand, especially on the corners, but no sections of sugar sand that we found. There are roots, but nothing too drastic. There are some narrow sections between trees, so good bike handling skills are necessary. A good mountain bike will serve you well, but the easy trails could be done on a hybrid in our opinion.



What you may see:

This trail network winds through a mostly wooded area. Thus, the name Markham Woods. You'll appreciate the shade on a hot summer day. You'll pass a small pond along the way. Where you find water, you generally find life.



How to get there:

Physical address: 8515 Markham Road (County Road 46A), Sanford, Florida

Directions: This trail is readily accessible from the I-4 Interstate highway, near Sanford/Lake Mary. But it is currently under construction and we cannot rely on current directions being accurate in the future.

GPS readings:

Parking area and trailhead:

N 28° 47.494'

W 081° 23.870'



Special cautions:

Know your own limitations. We found these trails to be for an experienced novice if that is possible. Expect the unexpected regarding roots and minor elevation changes..

Also note that the trails are “loop” trails, without direction markers. We encountered fairly fast bikers head-on on the narrow trail. All was good as we left the trail to them.

Also, hikers are allowed on these trails. Just be aware of that. We came up behind a group walking and pushing a baby carriage. Mind your “trail etiquette”. 😊

There are a lot of trails out there. Be sure to take a compass reading, and preferably a GPS reading before you leave the trailhead. Just to be sure you can find your way back to the trailhead and parking area.

Season-Hours-Fees-Parking:

Open year-round from 8 am to sunset. There are no fees and there is parking for about 25 vehicles.

Facilities:

There are restrooms and water at the trailhead. There is also a bike tool station and a bike wash station on site. There are also picnic tables on site.

What we found:

This is just a very nice, well-maintained and pretty well marked trail network. We took our time as we explored this network for the first time. Enjoyed the trail. Surprisingly quiet for being in such a suburban environment. .

****Times, fees, parking, and other information may have changed since this document was published.***

***** If you know of any updates to this write-up, please email Roger at Roger@RogerFulton.com***