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Guides



**Pinckney  
Island  
National  
Wildlife  
Refuge Main  
Trail**

*South Carolina*



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While several trails crisscross Pinckney Island, a coastal island surrounded on all sides by salt marshes brimming with alligators and dolphins. But the easy, 3.5-mile one-way Main Trail runs across the whole island north/south and offers access to the best areas. Two-thirds of this island is salt marsh, but the area has a long history of human population. This trail offers no restrooms and is open dawn-dusk.

#### About the Route

Managed as a National Wildlife Refuge, Pinckney Island offers evidence of Native American settlements dating back 10,000 years in addition to early-18th century European settlements. Trail users will also be treated to notable plant and animal wildlife, especially in the spring,



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**States:** South Carolina

**Counties:** Beaufort

Length: 3.5miles

**Trail end points:** Clubhouse Pond to Parking  
Lot off of US 278

**Trail surfaces:** Dirt,Gravel

**Trail category:** Greenway/Non-RT

**Trail activities:** Bike,Walking

## Parking & Trail Access

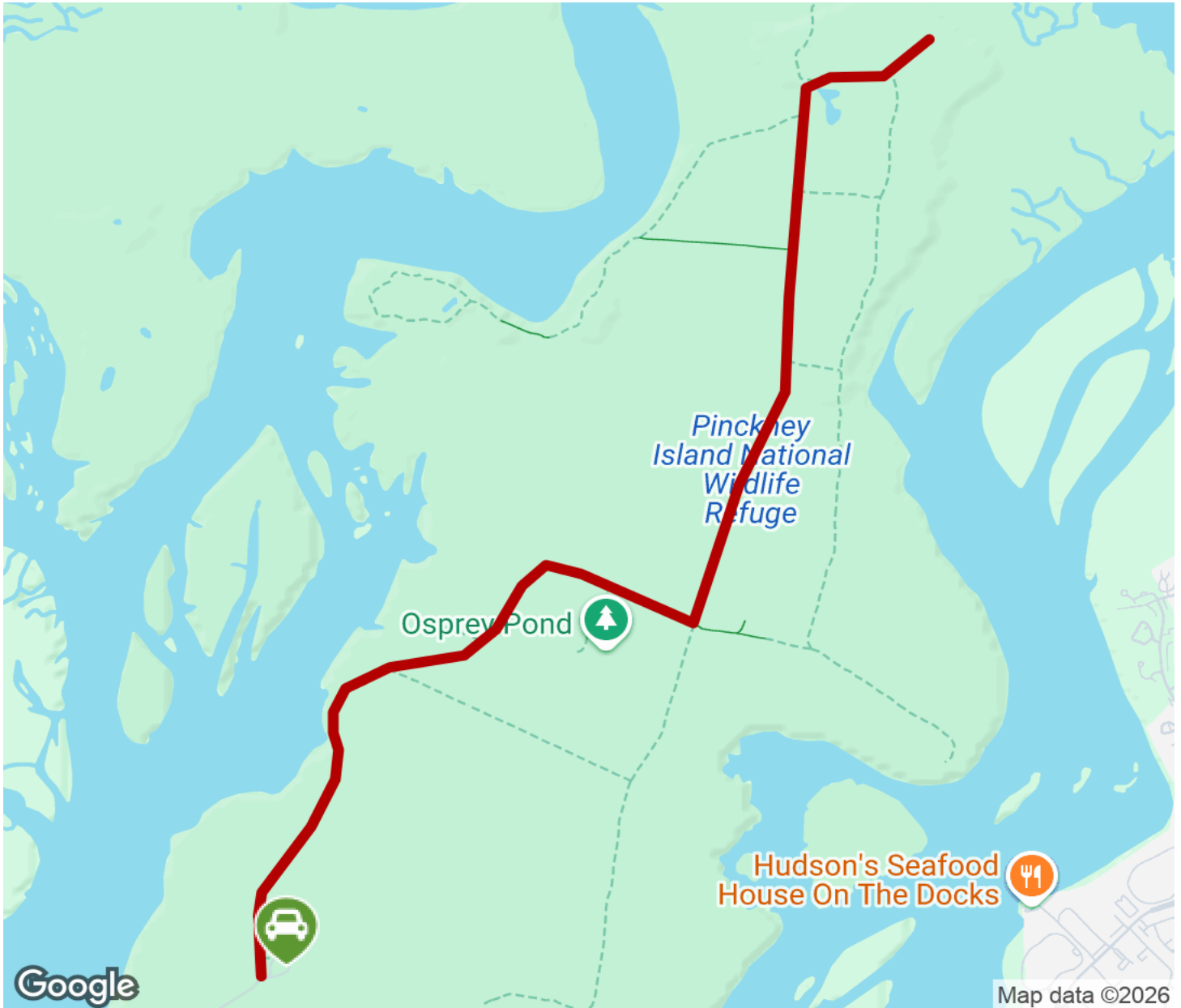
The Pinckney Island National Wildlife Refuge Main Trail runs between a parking lot off of US 278 and Clubhouse Pond.

Parking is available at the southern end of the trail. Please see TrailLink Map for detailed directions.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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