

Alimacani Boat Ramp

11080 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
1	Boat Ramps
10	Boat Trailer Parking
20	Car Parking
2	Grills
1	Picnic shelters
4	Picnic Tables
3	Trash Barrels
Yes	Fishing Available
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing
Yes	Security Lighting

Acres: 1

Park Type: Boat Ramp

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: The Alimacani Boat Ramp is located just west of State Road A1A (Heckscher Drive) on Xalvis Island, adjacent to the Fort George River. Some of the first Europeans to arrive in northeast Florida landed on Xalvis Island in 1562. The ramp and nearby Fort George Island (formerly the Timucuan Indian settlement of Alimacani) are part of the 46,000-acre Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve. The boat ramp is situated on land that the City leases from the State of Florida, near the scenic stretch of A1A known as the Buccaneer Trail. For many years a fish camp/restaurant and a recreational vehicle park were operated adjacent to the boat ramp site, and the City purchased this property (now Alimacani Park) in 2002, as part of the Preservation Project. The unimproved ramp provides access to the Fort George River and its tributaries primarily for jet skiers, kayaks, and small jon boats.

Alimacani Park

11080 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
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Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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10 Car Parking

Yes Fishing Available

Yes Perimeter Site Fencing

Acres: 2.24

Park Type: Preservation

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Alimacani Park is located along State Rd. A1A (Heckscher Drive) on Xalvis Island, adjacent to the Fort George River. Some of the first Europeans to arrive in northeast Florida landed on Xalvis Island in 1562. The park and nearby Fort George Island (formerly part of the Timucuan Indian settlement of Alimacani) comprise a portion of the 46,000-acre Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve. A recreational vehicle park, fish camp, and restaurant were operated on the property for many years prior to the City's purchase of the site in 2002, as part of the Preservation Project. The scenic stretch of A1A known as the Buccaneer Trail, named for pirates such as Blackbeard that pillaged the coast, borders the park on the east, and the City's Alimacani Boat Ramp abuts the park on the west.

Betz Tiger Point Park
13990 Pumpkin Hill Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 10 Car Parking
- 4 Trails Equestrian (Miles)
- 4 Trails Unpaved (Miles)
- Yes Fishing Available

Acres: 548

Park Type: Preservation

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Purchased on January 6, 2003 for \$7,975,588 by the City of Jacksonville with Better Jacksonville funds. Plans are in design for trails, a canoe launch and a scenic overlook. An archeological field school project, funded through a partnership with the Division of Historical Resources and the University of North Florida, will take place on the site in 2007-08.

Big Talbot Island State Park
12157 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
1	Boat Ramps
1	Canoe/Kayak Launch
1.5	Trails Unpaved (Miles)
Yes	Fishing Available

Acres: 1709.06

Park Type: NPS

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Big Talbot Island State Park is primarily a natural preserve; a premier location for nature study, bird-watching, and photography. Big Talbot's shoreline is unlike any other in Florida. Centuries of wind and water have eroded the exposed coast, creating a 20-foot bluff along the shore. The park's famous boneyard beach is covered with the skeletons of live oak and cedar trees that once grew near the ocean. On the estuarine side of the island a boat ramp provides access for fishing and touring the salt marshes. Visitors can picnic at the Bluffs access overlooking the water, then take a stroll down the Shoreline Trail to the walk the beach or sunbathe.

Black Hammock Island Park
15770 Sawpit Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
1	Baseball Youth
1	Basketball Lighted
6	Benches
15	Car Parking
3	Grills
2	Picnic Tables
10	Playground Equipment
2	Tennis Hard
2	Trash Barrels
1	Volleyball
Yes	Community Center
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing

Acres: 24.5

Park Type: Community

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Black Hammock Island Park is located in the extreme northeastern section of Jacksonville near the Nassau River. Only about five families lived in the area in 1971, but with the building of paved roads in the late 1970's and early 1980's, the start of mail delivery and garbage service, and the opening of the Dames Point Bridge in 1989, a population boom began. The City purchased the property in 1981, and the first facility built at the park was the community center in 1985. Since the park's inception, the island's Civic Association has played a leading role in the development and management of the property. City-funded improvements made over the years include expansion of the community center in 1990 and construction of two tennis courts and a walking/jogging trail in 1996.

Cedar Point Preserve

12000 Pumpkin Hill Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 1 Boat Ramps
- 15 Car Parking
- 2 Trash Barrels
- Yes Fishing Available

Acres: 418

Park Type: Preservation

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Cedar Point Park is located 10 miles northeast of downtown Jacksonville at the southern end of Black Hammock Island. The site is accessible from Cedar Point Road, which connects to East Berlin Road. Cedar Point is located on Black Hammock Island, a barrier island within an intricate salt marsh ecosystem. In addition to the salt marsh, this site supports several other important communities; oak hammocks, pine flatwoods, and a freshwater marsh system. It is essential to preserve this area in order to protect and maintain the salt marsh tidal creek ecosystem and to preserve biological and hydrological functions of the upland forests. Forested areas within Cedar Point provide habitat for wildlife, including many wintering and migratory birds. It also provides protection from storm water runoff floods, winds, and other erosion processes. The Cedar Point site consists of 418 acres purchased on May 2, 1996 for \$679,800 by the City of Jacksonville, with the assistance of a Florida Communities Trust grant. Additional properties of 159 acres and 54.4 acres were purchased in 2004 and 06, also with FCT assistance. The grant award agreement (GAA) requires education, wildlife observation platform, and historic interpretation.

Dames Point Park

9101 Dames Point Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
2	Benches
16	Car Parking
1	Pedestrian Docks
2	Picnic shelters
4	Picnic Tables
1	Restrooms
5	Trash Barrels
1	Water Features
Yes	Drinking Fountain
Yes	Fishing Available
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing
Yes	Security Lighting

Acres: 9.1

Park Type: Community

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Dames Point Park is located in north Jacksonville along the St. Johns River. It lies under the north approach to the Napoleon Bonaparte Broward Bridge, the longest cable-stayed bridge in the United States. In December 1988, the City of Jacksonville leased the 2.63-acre park site from the Jacksonville Transportation Authority for a thirty-year period. The park opened in June 1989 and received a major renovation in 1992-93. The area is part of the original South Berlin and Dames Point communities, whose existence dates back to the last quarter of the nineteenth century. In 2001, the Jacksonville Port Authority, whose land surrounds the park, built a new two-lane road linking the site with Dames Point Drive, thus insuring permanent access to the park.

Fort George Island State Cultural Site
12157 Heckscher [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 1 Canoe/Kayak Launch
- 4 Trails Unpaved (Miles)
- Yes Fishing Available

Acres: 690.6

Park Type: FPS

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Native Americans feasted here, colonists built a fort, and the Smart Set of the 1920s came for vacations. A site of human occupation for over 5,000 years, Fort George Island was named for a 1736 fort built to defend the southern flank of Georgia when it was a colony. Today's visitors come for boating, fishing, off-road bicycling, and hiking. A key attraction is the recently restored Ribault Club. Once an exclusive resort, it is now a visitor center with meeting space available for special functions. Behind the club, small boats, canoes, and kayaks can be launched on the tidal waters.

Heckscher Drive Center
9364 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 16 Car Parking
- 1 Playground Equipment
- 1 Water Features
- Yes Community Center
- Yes Perimeter Site Fencing
- Yes Security Lighting

Acres: 0

Park Type: Community

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: This parcel owned by the Heckscher Drive Community Club. The Heckscher Drive Community Club uses this building for Community Meetings on a monthly basis.

Huguenot Memorial Park
10980 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
1	Beach Access (Miles)
7	Benches
1	Boat Ramps
71	Camping Facilities
91	Car Parking
1	Concession Stand
5	Grills
4	Picnic shelters
78	Picnic Tables
2	Playground Equipment
11	Restrooms
21	Trash Barrels
1	Volleyball
1	Water Features
1	Wildlife Observation Posts
Yes	Drinking Fountain
Yes	Fishing Available
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing
Yes	Security Lighting
Yes	Visitor/Interpretive Center

Acres: 295

Park Type: Regional

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Waterfront campsites, a bird observation area, and gorgeous views of some of North Florida's remaining natural areas await visitors to Huguenot Memorial Park. In addition to the natural beauty of the area, the park also offers swimming, fishing, surfing, a boat launch area, picnic shelters, restrooms, and shower facilities to make your stay comfortable and enjoyable.

Joe Carlucci Sisters Creek Park and Boat Ramp
8414 McKenna Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
3	Benches
2	Boat docks
1	Boat Ramps
24	Boat Trailer Parking
50	Car Parking
3	Grills
5	Picnic shelters
10	Picnic Tables
1	Restrooms
3	Trash Barrels
Yes	Drinking Fountain
Yes	Fishing Available
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing
Yes	Security Lighting

Acres: 5
Park Type: Boat Ramp and Park
Council Person: [Ray Holt](#)

History: The Joe Carlucci Sisters Creek Park and Boat Ramp is located in northeast Jacksonville, at the confluence of Sisters Creek and the St. Johns River. Known as Two Sisters Creek when Florida was a colony of Spain, the name derives from two similar hardwood hammocks that were situated on either side of the creek, which is now part of the Inland Waterway. The City purchased most of the land for the park in 1974, and completed the acquisition in 1986 by closing the portion of Old Heckscher Drive that divided the property. The dedication of the park portion took place in November 1987, and construction of the boat ramp was completed in December 1988. The City Council renamed the facility in 1991 to honor of Joseph A. Carlucci, who passed away in February 1986 at the age of fifty-eight. In 1978, after serving as a City Councilman for ten years, the voters elected him to the Florida Senate – an office he held until his death.

Little Talbot Island State Park
12157 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
5	Beach Access (Miles)
1	Boat Ramps
1	Canoe/Kayak Launch
1	Playground Equipment
2	Restrooms
5	Trails Unpaved (Miles)
Yes	Fishing Available
Yes	Visitor/Interpretive Center

Acres: 1363.7

Park Type: FPS

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: With more than five miles of beautiful, white sandy beaches, Little Talbot Island is one of the few remaining undeveloped barrier islands in Northeast Florida. Maritime forests, desert-like dunes, and undisturbed salt marshes on the western side of the island allow hours of nature study and relaxation. The diverse habitats in the park host a wealth of wildlife. River otters, marsh rabbits, bobcats, and a variety of native and migrating birds can be seen here. Anglers find excellent fishing in the surf and tidal streams. Bluefish, striped bass, redfish, flounder, mullet, and sheepshead are common catches. Other popular activities are hiking, swimming, canoeing, and surfing. The park has a full-facility campground, as well as a youth/group tent campground. Beachside picnic pavilions are available for visitors to the park.

New Berlin Boat Ramp
New Berlin Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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1 Boat Ramps

Yes Perimeter Site Fencing

Yes Security Lighting

Acres: 0.35

Park Type: Boat Ramp

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: The New Berlin Boat Ramp is located along the St. Johns River, in the New Berlin section of north Jacksonville. Dr. Henry Von Balsan purchased fifty acres along the St. Johns River at Yellow Bluff in 1860, and later named the area New Berlin after his native town in Germany. During different periods of the Civil War, Confederate and Union soldiers constructed batteries at Yellow Bluff (which is now a state historical site). By the 1880's about one hundred residents lived at New Berlin, which consisted of several stores, churches, a post office, and a cemetery. Families have remained in the area for generations, and the state has designated New Berlin an "enclave", thus protecting it from industrial zoning. The City considered closing the ramp in 1994, but local fishermen requested that the facility remain open until an alternate site could be found and developed.

New Berlin Model Airplane Field

10525 Island Drive [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
5	Benches
25	Car Parking
1	Concession Stand
2	Picnic Tables
1	Restrooms
1	Tennis Hard
8	Trash Barrels
Yes	Perimeter Site Fencing
Yes	Security Lighting

Acres: 19.57

Park Type: Special

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: The New Berlin Model Airplane Field is located in northeastern Jacksonville, east of New Berlin Road. The name New Berlin derives from an area well south of the field near Dames Point on the St. Johns River. After its settlement in the 1860's, New Berlin became a thriving community that still exists today. The Radio Controlled Club leases the 18.67-acre site from the City and manages the field. The site contains two asphalt runways and is opened seven days a week. The public may visit at any time the field is open and have a picnic, watch the flying etc.

Pumpkin Hill Creek State Buffer Preserve
Cedar Point Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 1 Boat Ramps
- 1.5 Trails Unpaved (Miles)
- 1 Wildlife Observation Posts
- Yes Fishing Available

Acres: 3810

Park Type: Preservation

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: East of Jacksonville`s skyscrapers and west of the beaches, this state park protects one of the largest contiguous areas of coastal uplands remaining in Duval County. The uplands protect the water quality of the Nassau and St. Johns rivers, ensuring the survival of aquatic plants and animals, and providing an important refuge for birds. Wildlife is abundant and ranges from the threatened American alligator to the endangered wood stork. Equestrians, hikers, and off-road bicyclists can explore five miles of multi-use trails that wind through the park`s many different natural communities. The park has a canoe/kayak launch accessible by a 500 foot portage to the marshes.

Sisters Creek Marina

8203 Heckscher Drive [Mapit](#)

Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
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- 2 Boat docks
- 3 Boat Ramps
- 72 Boat Trailer Parking
- 360 Car Parking
- 6 Grills
- 1 Pedestrian Docks
- 6 Picnic Tables
- 1 Playground Equipment
- 2 Restrooms
- 24 Trash Barrels
- Yes Fishing Available
- Yes Perimeter Site Fencing
- Yes Security Lighting

Acres: 22.6

Park Type: Boat Ramp and Park

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: The site of a former commercial marina, this property was acquired in 1997. It was developed through a series of FRDAP and FIND grants, with the legislative assistance of Senator Jim King. It is the site of the annual Greater Jacksonville Kingfish Tournament.

Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve
Sawpit Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Amenities offered at this park:

Qty.	Amenity
1	Boat Ramps
15	Boat Trailer Parking
30	Car Parking
2	Restrooms
3	Trails Paved (Miles)
2	Trash Barrels
Yes	Fishing Available

Acres: 40252.9

Park Type: Preservation

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Timucuan Trail Timucuan Trail State and National Parks is a unique co-op between the City of Jacksonville, State of Florida and National Park Services. The group of parks includes some of the last unspoiled coastal wetlands on the Atlantic Coast and preserves the area`s rich historic and prehistoric sites. Hiking, biking, and kayak trails weave through the seamless system of parks, giving visitors a rare view of pristine marshland, coastal dunes and maritime hammocks.

William F. Sheffield Regional Park
3659 New Berlin Road [Mapit](#)
Jacksonville, FL 32226

Acres: 385

Park Type: Regional

**Council
Person:** [Ray Holt](#)

History: Acquired in 2003, this 385 acre former dairy site is currently in design for a regional park. At final build out, the park will contain soccer fields, baseball and softball facilities, a community center and pool, skateboard park and trails. Two large ponds compliment the site and will be used for small boating and fishing activities.