

MAGNOLIA LAKE STATE PARK



A Hidden Piece of History

**A PLACE CREATED FOR A COMMUNITY.
A LEGACY THAT SHOULD NEVER BE FORGOTTEN.**



Magnolia Lake State Park was more than a park—it was a place where Black families could relax, fish, picnic, and enjoy the outdoors with dignity at a time when opportunities were limited.

It stands today as a reminder of resilience, community, and the ongoing pursuit of equality.



A PLACE TO GATHER. A PLACE TO BELONG.



PICNICKING



FISHING



SWIMMING



NATURE &
OUTDOOR FUN



FAMILY &
COMMUNITY

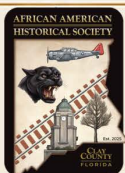
*For many, Magnolia Lake was a rare retreat,
a place of joy, memories, and connection.*

★ DID YOU KNOW? ★



During segregation, separate facilities were the law in Florida—including parks. Magnolia Lake State Park provided a safe, welcoming space for African American families to enjoy recreation and the natural beauty of our state.

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*Places like
Magnolia Lake
remind us that
history lives on—
and so does our
mission to remember.*
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MAGNOLIA LAKE STATE PARK HISTORIC SITE

Established in 1957 as a recreation area for African Americans during the era of segregation.

One of four segregated Florida state parks designated for African Americans in the 1960s.

Closed in 1970.

The land later returned to
Camp Blanding.

OUR HISTORY

1957

Magnolia Lake State Park was established as a recreation area for African Americans.

1960s

By the 1960s, it was one of only four state parks in Florida designated for African Americans.

1970

The park was closed.

Today

A historic marker commemorates the location and the community it served.

PLAN YOUR VISIT

LOCATION OF HISTORIC MARKER

6969 State Rd 21
Keystone Heights, FL 32656
(Near the intersection of State Rd 21 & Treat Rd)

DIRECTIONS

The historic marker is located along State Road 21 in Keystone Heights. Look for the Florida Historic Marker on the south side of the road.



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*Honoring the past.
Inspiring the future.*

Strengthening our community.

