

# Re: Wakulla (Florida) Volcano

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- > It is mostly wildlife refuge now. Some is still owned by a former
- > paper company but what they own is not very interestign since it was
- > simply used to grow pine trees. People still get lost trying to
- canoe
- > down the Wacissa river. The river disappears into a bunch of
- streams
- > called "The Warriors" which go off into the swamp, some going
- > underground. In the early 1800s, a canal was dug from the Wacissa
- to
- > the Aucilla to transport cotton from upriver to the Gulf via shallow
- > draft boats. The canal was dug by slaves under horrendous
- conditions.
- > If the canoeist misses the opening to the Slave Canal hidden behind
- a
- > huge cypress tree, he gets lost for days. The woods and swamps are
- > filled with indian middens where artifacts lie on the ground. The
- > crystal clear spring fed streams have fossilized bones of
- mastadons,
- > early horses and camels at the bottom. Large fossilized shark teeth
- > can often be found on the bottoms.
- > The Wacissa River flows from the spring head in a river that looks
- like
- > something in Africa with numerous crystal clear deep cold springs
- along
- > its sides. The Aucilla River is dark from tannin and flows for
- awhile
- > till it goes underground numerous times often rising to flow for a
- few
- > hundred feet very swiftly and then goes underground in a slow
- > whirlpool. The rivers rise again at Nutall Rise and then flow to
- the
- > gulf in the wildlife refuge. It is real wilderness with so many
- gators
- > snakes and other wildlife as to seem like some kind of hell to
- anybody
- > who doesnt like that sort of place.

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- > The "Lost Volcano Area" does seem weird with large limestone boulders
- > covered with moss strewn all over with numerous sinks and cave-like features. We once tried to explore a short cave there so it could be
- > listed as the only cave in Jefferson County Fl but the presence of too
- > many snakes kept us from going in. Vegetation is palmetto, hardwoods,
- > cypress, and cabbage palm with much swamp vegetation.
- > If it seems like I like the place, I do.
- >

dbohara:

It sounds like it's worth a visit...

I wonder if the "hot spot" somewhere "near" Santa Barbara could be the breas

deposits at Carpinteria which is just somewhat south of that first-mentioned town.

Speaking of differing vistas, if you've never tried to free a very large chuckawalla lizard from an entombing tar seep—and got a healthy bite in gratitude—you've missed a moment, my friend. See

<http://images.google.com/images?q=chuckwalla&hl=en&btnG=Search+Images> for the toothsome beast.

Regards,

Edward Hennessey

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