

## Route 2: Turkey Creek Kayak Launch to Castaway Point

Approximately 2 hour round trip through the straight, wider section of the creek. This section goes by housing, several bays and ends at the Indian River. Keep an eye out for dolphin and manatee in the bays. Castaway Point is home to beautiful water birds and has a small beach.

**Stop 1: Turkey Creek Kayak Launch (START)** - Bike and Hike Trail Crossing – BE CAREFUL when loading and unloading! Look for: Large Oak trees, cardinals, Spanish Moss, Alligators sunning on the banks of the creek

**Stop 2: Pt Malabar Bridge** – Look up when passing under the bridge, there may be bats sleeping! 100s of bats exit the bridge at sunset in summer.

**Stop 3: Approach to “Outlaw Island”**  
Make a right turn (eastward) when you see a big Sabal Palm on the right and a retention wall made of stone on the left. It is narrow at the turn, so easy to miss. If you miss it, continue on the west side of the island to view the houses along the Turkey Creek.

**Stop 4: Stretch along East Side of Outlaw Island**  
Untouched area of creek; great area for viewing ferns, wetland grasses and mangroves; look for wading birds on the island.

**Stop 5: Approach to Ais Trail** – No pull-out here Ais Indians were present along the Indian River from the 1500s – 1700s. Watch for manatee and dolphin from here to the US1 bridge.



Detailed Map of Route 2: Kayak Launch to Ais Trail  
(Stops 1 - 5)



**Stop 6: Goode Park** - Boat ramp, Restrooms, Covered picnic tables, Playground, Fishing Dock

This is a good area to view manatees or watch mullet jumping in the water. Ibis, blue and white herons can also be seen on the island nearby.

**Stop 7: Pollak Park** - Boat ramp, Restrooms, Covered Picnic Tables. Early 1900s there were unlimited oysters in this bay

**Stop 8: Paddling Paradise and bridge under US1** - Rental Kayaks available, Guided Tours, Boat Ramp

100s of bats exit the bridge around sunset in summer. **Be cautious** heading into the bay, do not proceed if it is windy or the bay is choppy!

**Stop 9: Palm Bay (or Turkey Creek Lagoon)** – This large bay is full of wildlife, look for pelicans and dolphins

**Stop 10: Castaway Point** – on the Indian River - Sandy beach, Restrooms, Covered picnic tables, Fishing Dock

Home to many species of birds: Ibis, Woodpeckers, White Snowy Egret, Grey Heron, Robins, Warblers, Aningas

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Detailed Map of Route 2: Kayak Launch to Indian River  
(Stops 6 - 10)