

Top 10 Free Nature Things To Do in Orlando, FL

Mead Botanical Garden

1300 S Denning Dr, Winter Park, FL 32789

Open daily from 8:00 AM until dusk (~7 PM). A peaceful 47-acre garden with butterfly gardens, boardwalks, and open green spaces.

Tibet■Butler Nature Preserve

8777 Winter Garden Vineland Rd, Orlando, FL 32836

Open daily from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Features 3.6 miles of nature trails, a butterfly garden, and a nature center.

Lake Eola Park

512 E Washington St, Orlando, FL 32801

Open daily from 6:00 AM to midnight. Iconic downtown park with a swan-filled lake, walking trail, and live events.

UCF Arboretum

4312 Scorpius St, Orlando, FL 32816

Trails open sunrise to sunset. Offers nature trails and gardens on the University of Central Florida campus.

Lake Apopka Wildlife Drive

2850 Lust Rd, Apopka, FL 32703

Open Fri–Sun and holidays from 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. An 11-mile one-way wildlife drive with bird and alligator sightings.

Shingle Creek Regional Park

925 S Bass Rd, Kissimmee, FL 34746

Open sunrise to sunset daily. Offers boardwalk trails and paddling access to historic Shingle Creek.

Econ River Wilderness Area

3795 Old Lockwood Rd, Oviedo, FL 32765

Open daily from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Hike through 240 acres of preserved land with a river, trails, and wildlife.

Kraft Azalea Garden

1365 Alabama Dr, Winter Park, FL 32789

Open daily from 8:00 AM until dusk. A secluded garden on Lake Maitland with giant cypress trees and a serene vibe.

Split Oak Forest Wildlife & Environmental Area

Clapp Simms Duda Rd, Orlando, FL 32832

Generally open sunrise to sunset. A large preserve with native wildlife and hiking trails.

Oakland Nature Preserve

747 Machete Trail, Oakland, FL 34760

Open dawn to dusk. A scenic boardwalk over wetlands leading to Lake Apopka with upland trails.