

# Paddling Trail Map Golden Triangle Run

Lake County



## SAFETY TIPS

- Prepare a "float plan." Leave a paddling route and return time with a relative or friend.
- When in a group, assign boats to be the lead and sweep. Preferably both boats should be manned by experienced paddlers with no one in the group passing the lead boat or falling behind the sweep.
- Avoid canoeing or kayaking alone, or at night.
- Secure your car and take keys with you; and remember a cell phone to call emergency personnel, if the need arises, at 9-1-1.
- Make mental notes as you pass trail markers — knowing the location of the closest marker will help emergency personnel should you need assistance.
- Watch for motorboats. Stay to the right and turn your bow into the wake.
- Law requires persons in vessels less than 16 feet long, including canoes and kayaks, must have either a wearable or throwable PFD for every person on board.
- Do not approach or harass alligators, as they can be dangerous. It is illegal to feed wildlife. Blueway trails are shared with alligators, nesting birds and other wildlife. Please observe, but do not disturb.



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The Golden Triangle Run Blueway is one of eight featured waterway trails in the Lake County Blueways Program.

The Lake County Parks & Trails Division, manages more than three dozen parks, preserves and boat ramps. For more information or a complete listing of Lake County parks, call (352) 253-4950 or log on to [www.lakecountyfl.gov/parks](http://www.lakecountyfl.gov/parks).

For Lake County Tourism information, call (352) 429-3673, visit the Lake County Welcome Center, located at 20763 U.S. Highway 27, Groveland, or log on to [www.lakecountyfl.com](http://www.lakecountyfl.com).

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WATER AUTHORITY

*It is important to emphasize that Lake County Blueways are near waterways with occasional to heavy boat traffic. Each blueway trail presents unique experiences with varying distances and levels of difficulty. Please plan your route accordingly and take all proper safety precautions before embarking.*

[www.PaddleLake.com](http://www.PaddleLake.com)

# TRAILMAP

## GOLDEN TRIANGLE RUN

Named after the three municipalities forming the Golden Triangle — Mount Dora, Tavares and Eustis — this peaceful area of Lake County

is rich in history. Early residents were attracted to the central area of Lake County because of its high elevation, sparkling lakes and majestic oak groves. All three Golden Triangle cities feature

quaint downtowns where boutiques and restaurants abound.

A must see of the Golden Triangle Run is the Dora Canal. Connecting the lakes of Dora and Eustis, the canal is the most well-known waterway in

Lake County. A leading sports writer in the 1930s penned it as "the most beautiful mile of water in the world." Lined with towering cypress trees draped with Spanish moss, the Dora Canal is a safe haven for nesting ospreys, herons, egrets and river otters.

Lake Eustis



### FEATURED WILDLIFE:

River Otter

#### LENGTH:

26-30 inches

#### WEIGHT:

10-20 lbs.

#### DIET:

Fish, amphibians, crayfish, and other invertebrates; may also eat birds, eggs and small mammals when available

#### ALSO KNOWN AS:

Northern River Otter or Common Otter

MAP AREA



**MAP GUIDE**

- Lat/Long Coordinates
- Trail Markers
- Boat Ramps
- Marinas
- Park Areas
- Clinic/Hospital
- Food
- Lodging
- Parking
- Restrooms



NOTE: Due to unforeseen circumstances, Blueways trail markers have been, on occasion, missing or damaged. Please report missing or damaged signs to Lake County Parks & Trails at (352) 253-4950.