

## Florida WildQuest

April 27 through May 5, 2024, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission is hosting the fourth annual Florida WildQuest, a unique scavenger hunt experience encouraging exploration of Wildlife Management Areas throughout the state. Florida residents and visitors will use the free and easy-to-use [GooseChase app](#) to join a wild adventure with missions designed to help them discover some of Florida's best spots to see wildlife and enjoy the outdoors.

### **Wild About Florida!**

WildQuest players of all ages will have opportunities to learn about and explore Florida's extensive Wildlife Management Area system during the event. Participants who qualify will be entered into a random drawing for wilderness-inspired prizes.

### **What are Wildlife Management Areas?**

With over 6 million acres set aside for wildlife conservation and nature-based recreation, Florida has one of the nation's largest systems of wildlife management areas. The FWC maintains, enhances and restores natural habitats on WMAs to benefit wildlife as well as the people of Florida. The public can use WMAs for recreation activities like hunting, fishing and watching wildlife. Your support for these areas helps the FWC keep the habitats found on them healthy, so people can enjoy Florida's wilderness for generations to come.

### **Are you ready to go on a Florida WildQuest?**

Follow these steps to adventure:

1. Find It: Find your closest WMA by using FWC's [WMA Recreation Finder Map](#). Note that **Andrews WMA and Little Gator Creek WEA are closed during Florida WildQuest**.
2. Charge Up: Make sure your phone is charged and the [GooseChase app](#) is installed. Not all areas have mobile coverage, but you'll be able to take pictures for your scavenger hunt missions and submit them later. Visit [FloridaWildQuest.com](#) for instructions on how to join a WildQuest.
3. Be Safe: Stay on marked roads and trails. Let someone else know where you're going. Before you enter a trail, be sure it fits your skill level and the distance you're prepared for.
4. Pack Smart: It gets hot outside and there are no vending machines in the wilderness. Check the weather before you go. Pack water, sunscreen and snacks!
5. Snap a Pic: Most WMAs have a kiosk at the main entrance with a welcome sign that includes a map and important reminders. When you see this sign, be sure to take a picture for reference. Grab a recreation guide at the kiosk if one is available.