

Gulf State Park Launches Bike Share Program

Visitors Can Explore and Enjoy the Beauty of Gulf State Park's Bike Trails

GULF SHORES, AL — September 6, 2019 — As a result of the Gulf State Park Enhancement Project, which includes the Learning Campus, the Interpretive Center, The Lodge at Gulf State Park, Woodside Restaurant and the existing amenities such as the Nature Center, the Beach Pavilion and the Pier, we are excited to announce the newest offering; the Gulf State Park Bike Share Program, which allows park visitors another way to explore over 28 miles of beautiful bike trails in the park.

The Bike Share program launched with 50 bikes and another 150 bikes will be arriving soon. The bikes are single speed with a solar-powered locking system which is unlocked via a smartphone app.

Additional components of the Bike Share Program include:

- Bikes are free for the first three hours; after that there is a charge of \$5 per hour.
- Bikes are available first come, first serve, based on availability.
- Guests will use the Bloom app (available on Android and Apple devices) to access the bikes. On your mobile device, location and camera must be turned on. Once you download the app, select the Gulf State Park system, set up an account, provide a valid credit card, and select the “3 hour pass” payment plan. After your account is set up, use the pink button at the bottom of the screen to scan the QR code to unlock the bike, and enjoy your ride. Return the bike to any one of the designated Bike Share parking locations around the park. Loop the cable around a bike rack and press the button to lock the bike, and end your ride.
- Limit of one bike per phone (however the same credit card can be used to access multiple bikes with multiple phones).
- The Bike Share Program is available to those 16 years of age and older.
- Safety equipment such as a helmet is not provided.
- Bikes must be used within Gulf State Park.
- Hours of availability are 6:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. (hours subject to change seasonally).
- Bikes are available at the following locations: The Lodge at Gulf State Park, Woodside Restaurant, the Interpretive Center/Beach Pavilion, Eagle’s Loop trailhead, and Gulf Oak Ridge trailhead. Additional locations around the park will be added soon.
- Bikes can be returned to any of the designated parking areas listed above. They do not have to be returned to the same location where they were checked out.
- The Bloom app contains a phone number to report issues.
- Credit card on file to borrow the bike(s) will only be used if rules and guidelines are not followed:
 - \$5 for each hour over the 3-hour limit.
 - Parking bike in an undesignated area.
 - Bike is damaged (amount varies depending on type of damage).
 - Bike is not returned.

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