Other Native Plants

Dahoon Holly, *Ilex cassine*

Rusty Lyonia, *Lyonia ferruginea*

Shiny Lyonia, *Lyonia lucida*

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Landscape & Natural Resources and the Arboretum support the mission of UCF through a comprehensive outdoor laboratory that creates opportunities for relevant, experience-based learning, urban ecology research, and human connection with ecosystems and landscapes. We seek to enrich the community by creating and maintaining an inviting outdoor environment, providing high quality service for operational activities, and generating research and educational initiatives that guide stewardship of natural resources. Our inclusive program supports regional, state and global efforts to develop sustainable urban environments.

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About the Trail

The Lake Claire Loop Trail is a 1.5 mile loop that wraps around Lake Claire. It’s a great trail to spend a morning or afternoon walking, and offers many opportunities to spot beautiful native vegetation, and even some animals early in the morning.

Flowers that Frequent the Trail:

- Cow pea, *Vigna luteola*
- Long-leaf violet, *Viola lanceolata*
- Roserush, *Lygodesmia aphylla*
- Venus’ looking-glass, *Triodanis perfoliata*
- St. Peter’s wort, *Hypericum tatrapetalum*
- Red Basil, *Calamintha coccinea*
- Blackberry, *Rubus cuneifolius*
- Sundew, *Drosera capillaries*
- Mimosa, *Schrankia microphylla*

Other plants not pictured:
- Blue-eyed grass, *Sisyrinchium atlanticum* (pictured on back page of pamphlet)
- Highbush blueberry, *Vaccinium corymbosum*
- Innocence, *Hedyotis procumbens*
- Muscadine grapes, *Vitis munsoniana*
- Prickly pear cactus, *Opuntia humifusa*
- Spatter-dock, *Nuphar luteum*
- Terrestrial orchid, *Habenaria odontopetala* (pictured on front page of pamphlet)
- Yellow jessamine, *Gelsemium sempervirens*

Ecosystem types within the trail

Due to the variation in elevation in different points of the Lake Claire trail, six different types of ecosystems exist:

- Basin marsh
- Sandhill
- Mesic flatwoods
- Scrubby flatwoods
- Depression marsh
- Baygall