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Welcome to Dunnellon, Florida. Small town USA at its finest.

Just under 2,000 people live in the town's 1,000 homes,

which means Dunnellon is the ultimate getaway

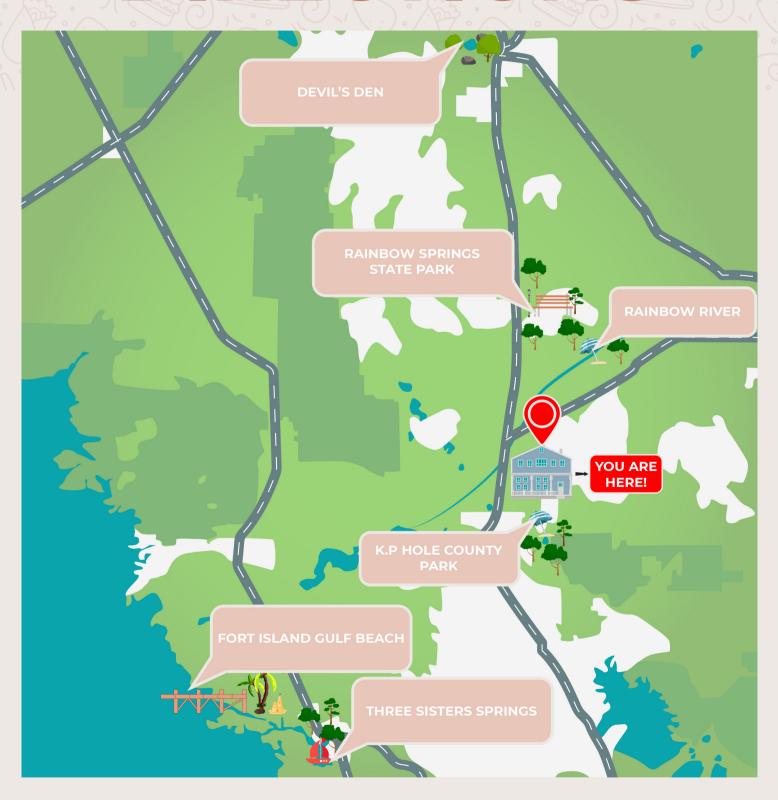
destination for peace and quiet.

Dunnellon, though, has a rich history. It was critical during the early exploration of America, and it was a significant mining town in the 19th century. The famous Rainbow River meets the Withlacoochee on its way into the Gulf of Mexico, and it's in this verdant landscape, under Florida's bright sun, where you'll discover quite a few little secrets, many of them delicious!



Good food equals good mood

DIRECTIONS





Wake up early and visit the Rainbow Springs State Park. As its name suggests, the Springs State Park hosts natural water springs that give life to the crystal-clear Rainbow River. This is home to fish, turtles and hundreds of birds swiftly flying from one shore to the other. Ride a kayak or snorkel your way through the headsprings. These are good times guaranteed, and there's a large picnic and camping area to snack between splashes. Open from April to September, from 8 am to 3:30 pm.





Swampy's Bar & Grill has a unique terrace overlooking the Rainbow River, and the scenery is gorgeous. The ambiance is lively as well, especially where there's live music in the background. Swampy's Mardi Gras Chicken Poppers are garlicky and spicy, and their Seafood Gumbo is a legitimate Southern delight. Still, you just can't say you visited Dunnellon until you've tried Swampy's blackened gator wrap or po'boy — gator is a delicacy and a hearty one at that. Swampy's is closed on Tuesdays, but you can visit any other day from 11 am to 7-8 pm.

www.swampys.restaurant



GATOR BITES

By far the most iconic item on their menu! Delicious, sweet and tender gator meat lightly battered and fried. Served with Swampy's rémoulade sauce

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For local cuisine, Stumpknockers has you covered. Catfish (the specialty), fried gator, stuffed flounder, you name it—this restaurant also offers an All You Can Eat alternative, so go for it. For the best experience, visit Stumpknockers in the evening and live the bayou's true festive ambiance. This lively restaurant is perfect for any other weeknight, but it's nice enough to commemorate special occasions. Right on the left bank of the Withlacoochee River, this restaurant's location is unbeatable.

www.yelp.com/biz/stumpknockers-on-the-river-dunnellon



A TRULY LOCAL COUSINE

Catfish - Fried Gator - Stuffed Flounder - Pizzas

You name it...

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Walk your way to the other side of town until you reach the Withlacoochee River. The Blue Gator Tiki Bar & Restaurant is easy to find from there. Take an airboat tour or rent a boat, but whatever you do, don't overlook Blue Gator's menu. The food here is authentic, and the drinks are vibrant! Enjoy freshly shucked oysters, chewy gator bites, classic crab cakes or an order of generous fish tacos. Have a local beer or a boozy Rum Runner cocktail with your meal! This is where you want to hang out, day or night.

www.blue-gator.com



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