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Guides



**Lake Apopka
Loop Trail**
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There is very little shade anywhere on this trail. Restrooms are at Magnolia Park, a port-a-john at the old pump house at mile marker 4, and near the Green Mountain Overlook. There is also a restroom about a quarter mile from the North Shore Trailhead in the nearby McDonald Canal Boat Ramp. Other than parking, there are no amenities at the Clay Island trailhead. Take plenty of water and whatever else you need.

The Lake Apopka Loop Trail is nearly 15-miles. There's an abundance of nature as well as some background history regarding the lake. Spanning across former farmland along the north shore, Florida's fourth largest lake, once second, is currently a restoration in progress after the soil had been poisoned with pesticides and the city, after buying the land, allowed it to flood.

The trail was proposed by the Friends of Lake Apopka to boost appreciation for the suffering lake in Orange and Lake Counties. It may one day tie into the West Orange Trail and other paths to circle the 50-square-mile lake. With improved water conditions, wetland plant species are returning. This is a wonderful trail for nature lovers; a popular birding destination; with abundant alligators and occasional raccoons, otters, and turtles.



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States: Florida

Counties: Lake, Orange

Length: 14.6 miles

Trail end points: Magnolia Park on Binion Rd (Apopka) to Clay Island Trailhead on Carolyn Ln (Astatula)

Trail surfaces: Crushed Stone, Gravel

Trail category: Greenway/Non-RT

Trail activities: Horseback Riding, Mountain Biking, Walking

Parking & Trail Access

The Magnolia Park trailhead is located in Orange County's Magnolia Park at 2929 S. Binion Road, Apopka.

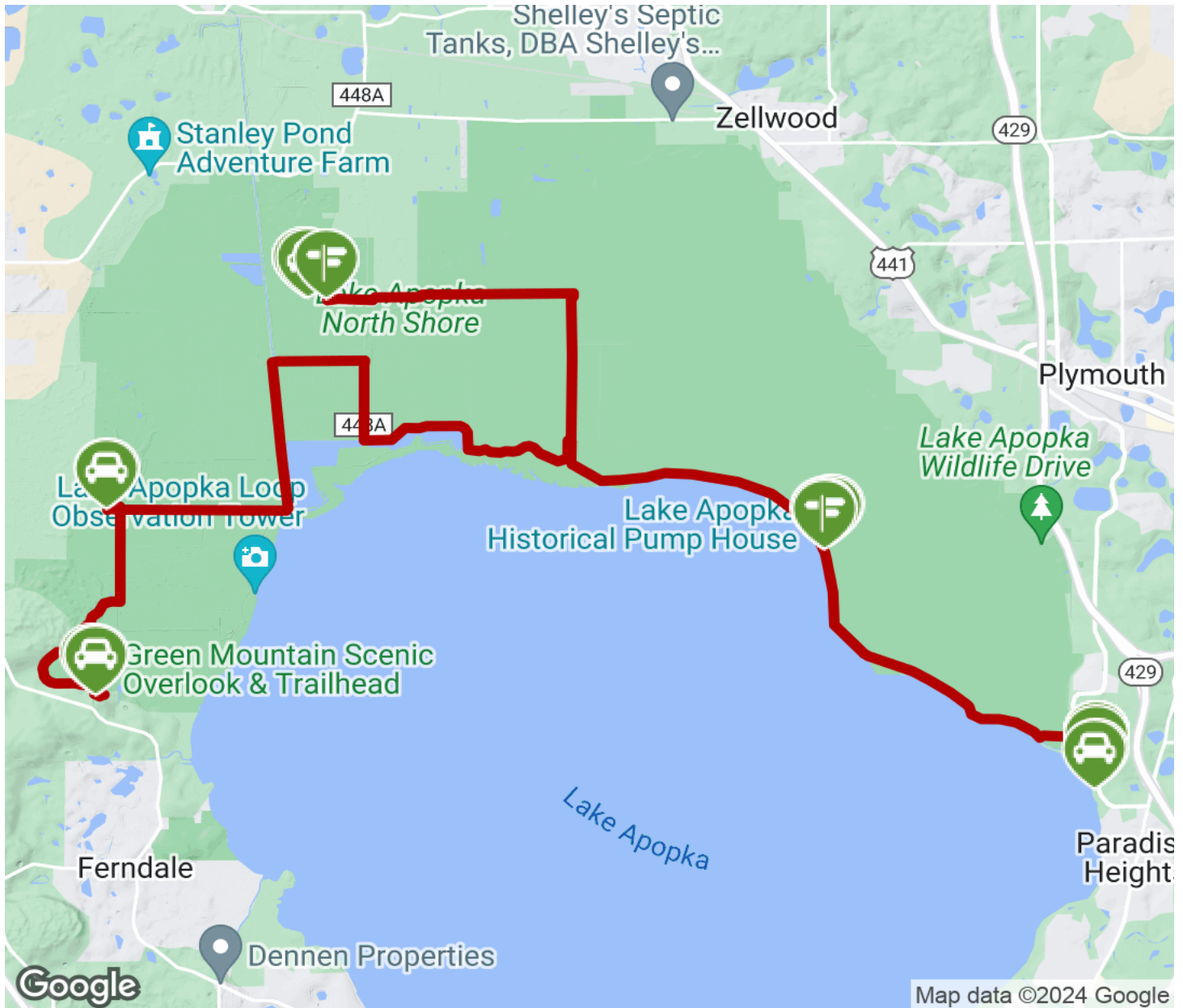
The North Shore trailhead is located at 24500 County Road 448A, Mt. Dora. Follow the spur that heads east from the parking area for one mile to link up with the trail.

The Clay Island trailhead is located at 22526 Carolyn Lane, Astatula.



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Trailhead



Restroom



Parking



Water Fountain



Tunnel



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