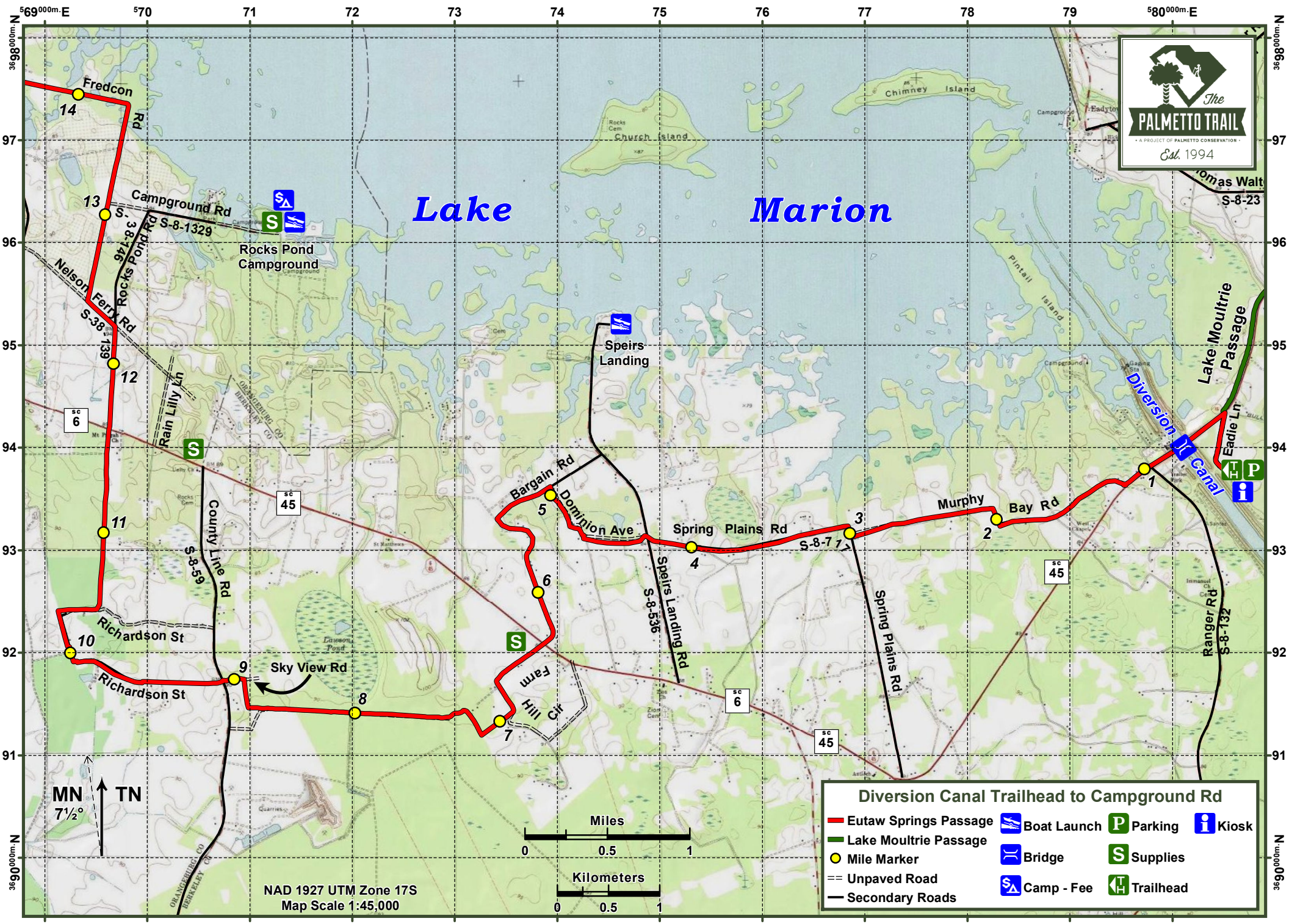
Eutaw Springs Passage of the Palmetto Trail - Section 1



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EUTAW SPRINGS PASSAGE DATA

Length: 21.3 miles
WMA Spur Trail adds approximately 5 miles

Use: Hiking, Mountain Biking

Difficulty:
Easy if done in sections as
a day hike, moderate otherwise

Restrictions:
No motor vehicles, no equestrians

Trail Marking:
Yellow Blazes, Trail Signs

Conditions:
Generally good. Much of this trail uses rural highways and dirt roads. You should prepare for possibility of unleashed dogs and wear bright clothing (and reflectors) to warn drivers. The spur trail is occasionally wet and muddy.

DRIVING DIRECTIONS:

Southern Trailhead Beside the Diversion Canal:

From Pineville, continue on SC 45 for 6 miles past the turn at Sandy Beach Road. Just before a bridge, turn left on Eadie Lane. Follow the dirt road for 0.4 miles and look for the kiosk on the right next to a giant pile of quarried rocks. Park here.

From I-26, take exit 194; turn east toward Pinopolis on S-16. Follow for 18 miles to an intersection with SC 6. Turn left on SC 6 and follow past Cross to SC 45, turn left still following SC 6 and right on SC 45 towards St. Stephen. Cross the Diversion Canal. Take the first dirt road (Eadie Lane) to the right, go .4 miles and look for the kiosk on the right next to to a giant pile of quarried rock. Park here.

To begin the Eutaw Springs Passage go back down Eadie Lane to SC45 and cross the Diversion Canal (use the pedestrian lane on the bridge). In .25 miles you will turn right onto Murphy Bay road.

Eutaw Springs Battleground Trailhead*:*
From Eutawville, continue four miles on SC 45 to where the road splits. Veer left as if onto Fredcon Drive, the parking area is on the left.

Northern Trailhead*:*
Just past the junction of SC Highways 45 and 6 with IGA Food Store in the fork, Eutawville Community Center will be on the right (south) side of Porcher Ave.

Parking area at Gardensgate Plantation:
From the Northern Trailhead, take a right out of Eutawville Community Center on Porcher Ave and take a right on Dawson Street. Pass the Big Old Tree and take the 3rd left onto Gardensgate Rd. and go 1.4 miles. You will pass Broken Arrow Rd. on the left and once you see Michelle Street on the right the small parking lot for the trail will be on the left hand side of the road at the beginning of the Gardensgate Plantation property. Park here and follow the signs along the trail.

RULES & PRECAUTIONS

Minimum impact use is in everybody's best interest. To achieve this, we recommend the following practices:

- Pack it in / pack it out
- Stay on designated trails
- Leave what you find
- Respect private property
- Use fire responsibly
- Be considerate of fellow trail users

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