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Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve



Kingsley Plantation

Zephaniah Kingsley, his African wife Anna, and their three children moved to Fort George Island in 1814 and established a plantation. With an enslaved workforce of about sixty, the Fort George plantation produced Sea Island cotton, prized for its very long fibers.

At Kingsley Plantation, you can see the plantation house, kitchen, barn, and slave quarters. A visit to Kingsley Plantation takes you back into Florida's past. Come learn the stories of those who lived on Fort George Island.



Visiting Kingsley Plantation



Kingsley Plantation is a 60-acre unit of the 46,000-acre Timucuan Ecological and Historic Preserve in Jacksonville, Florida.

You can explore the grounds, which include the oldest standing plantation house in Florida, the kitchen, barn, and waterfront. The remains of twenty-five slave cabins offer perhaps the most graphic evidence of slave living quarters and daily life experiences in the South.

The plantation can be visited seven days a week from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., except Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Day. Admission is free.

Directions

From I-95, exit at Heckscher Drive. Proceed 14 miles. The plantation turn off is located 1/2 mile north of the St. Johns River Ferry landing on Heckscher Drive/A1A.

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