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Refuge Accepting Reservations for Picnic Pavilion/EE Classroom Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge

Folkston, GA.....Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge provides exceptional opportunities for wildlife observation and wildlife photography. But did you know that the refuge also provides two spaces that are available for events such as family reunions, birthday parties, and picnics?? The picnic pavilion and the Environmental Education Classroom are now both available for reservations for your next event. Reservations can be made six months in advance by calling the permit reservation phone number at 912-496-3331 between 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., Monday – Friday, excluding federal holidays. Fees will be accepted by credit card and are \$35/day for the rental of the picnic pavilion and \$75/day for the rental of the Environmental Education Classroom. The picnic pavilion is also available on a walk-up basis if not reserved.

For general questions about the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge and visitor opportunities, please contact the Richard S. Bolt Visitor Center at 912-496-7836 or visit us online at www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee or on Facebook [@OkefenokeeWildlifeRefuge](https://www.facebook.com/OkefenokeeWildlifeRefuge)

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The Main Entrance (Suwannee Canal Recreation Area) to the Okefenokee National Wildlife Refuge is managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and is located 11 miles southwest of Folkston, GA off Hwy 121/23. The refuge is open daily and offers a variety of opportunities for the visiting public. Call 912-496-7836 or visit the refuge website at www.fws.gov/refuge/okefenokee for hours of operation, upcoming events, and entrance fee information.

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