

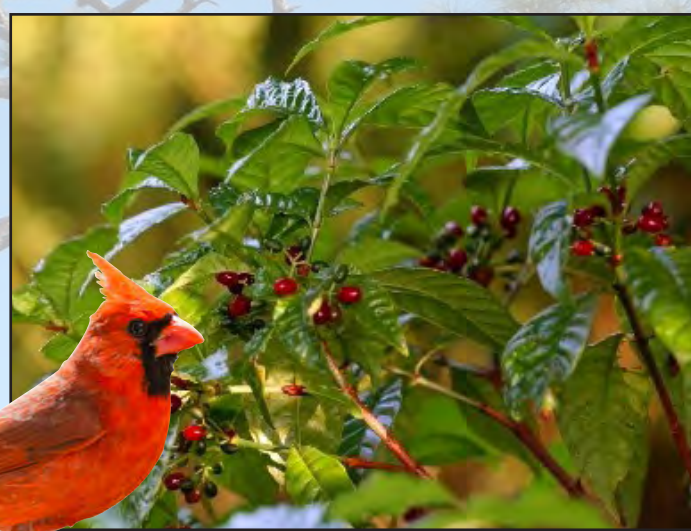


# Wild Coffee



WILD COFFEE IS A FLORIDA NATIVE PLANT THAT HAS BEAUTIFUL RED BERRIES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. DURING THE SPRING AND SUMMER THE BERRIES IT PRODUCES ARE GREAT ATTRACTANTS FOR MANY DIFFERENT TYPES OF FAUNA INCLUDING SONGBIRDS LIKE MOCKINGBIRDS AND CARDINALS, AND EVEN BUTTERFLIES.

POINT OF INTEREST



CARDINAL

THIS PLANT IS COMMONLY FOUND IN HEAVILY SHADED AREAS LIKE HAMMOCKS WHERE THERE IS VERY LITTLE SUN ON THE UNDERSTORY PLANTS. WILD COFFEE WILL GROW TO BE 4-10 FEET TALL IN THESE AREAS BUT REMAIN SMALL IN AREAS WITH LOTS OF SUN.



MOCKINGBIRD





# Southern Black Racer

POINT OF INTEREST

THE SOUTHERN BLACK RACER IS FLORIDA'S MOST COMMON NON-VENOMOUS SNAKE. THE BLACK RACER HAS A SLENDER BLACK BODY WITH A WHITE UNDERSIDE. BLACK RACERS CAN LIVE UP TO 10 YEARS AND GET TO BE OVER 60 INCHES LONG WHEN FULLY GROWN. THE LONGEST BLACK RACER MEASURED 72 INCHES OR 6 FEET LONG!



DIET TYPICALLY INCLUDES LIZARDS



THESE SNAKES ARE CLASSIFIED AS COLUBRID, A TYPE OF SNAKE THAT EATS PREY WHOLE. BLACK RACERS HAVE VERY GOOD EYESIGHT AND ARE EASILY SPOOKED BECAUSE OF IT.





# Rusty Lyonia

## POINT OF INTEREST

RUSTY LYONIA IS A TYPE OF SHRUB OR SMALL TREE THAT CAN GROW TO 10-20 FEET TALL. IT GETS ITS NAME FROM THE "RUSTY" PUBESCENCE OR SOFT HAIR THAT IS PRESENT ALL OVER THE PLANT, PRIMARILY ON THE LEAVES AND WHICH RUBS OFF JUST LIKE RUST.



DEER WILL EAT THE LEAVES



THE PLANT USES THIS PUBESCENCE TO PROTECT NEW GROWTH FROM HARMFUL INSECTS. THESE SHRUBS ARE COMMONLY FOUND IN DRIER AREAS LIKE SCRUB HABITAT WITH OTHER DRY TREES SUCH AS THE SAND LIVE OAK.





# Hydric Hammock

HYDRIC HAMMOCK IS CHARACTERIZED AS A WELL-DEVELOPED HARDWOOD AND CABBAGE PALM FOREST WITH A VARIABLE UNDERSTORY OFTEN DOMINATED BY PALMS AND FERNS. SOME COMMON PLANT SPECIES FOUND HERE INCLUDE LARGE LIVE OAKS AND PLANTS THAT NEED MORE WATER LIKE CABBAGE PALMS.



SABAL PALM



THE TERM HYDRIC MEANS RELATING TO AN ABUNDANCE OF MOISTURE AND IS AN IMPORTANT DEFINING CHARACTERISTIC OF HYDRIC HAMMOCK. MOISTURE IS ABSORBED AND HELD IN LONGER THAN THAT OF A XERIC (DRY) HABITAT. HYDRIC HAMMOCKS PROVIDE PLENTY OF NATURAL SHADE IN THE FLORIDA LANDSCAPE AND ARE ALWAYS A TREAT TO VISIT.



OAK TREE

POINT OF INTEREST

