

## Emergency Information / Local Information

Jackson County and Calhoun County have 9-1-1 service, and for our wireless users, the Jackson County 9-1-1 office also has an e-mail link, [jce911@jacksoncountyfl.com](mailto:jce911@jacksoncountyfl.com)

If you need gas on the way back, or want to head to one of the hotels off of I-10, take SR 73 north to the crossroads, turn right on Magnolia Road, take that past the Chipola River bridge, and you will come out to SR 71. Turn left, and there will be an assortment of gas stations, restaurants and motels on the way back to US 90.

When you get to US 90, turn left to get back to Arrowhead Campground.

## MIDDLE CHIPOLA RIVER

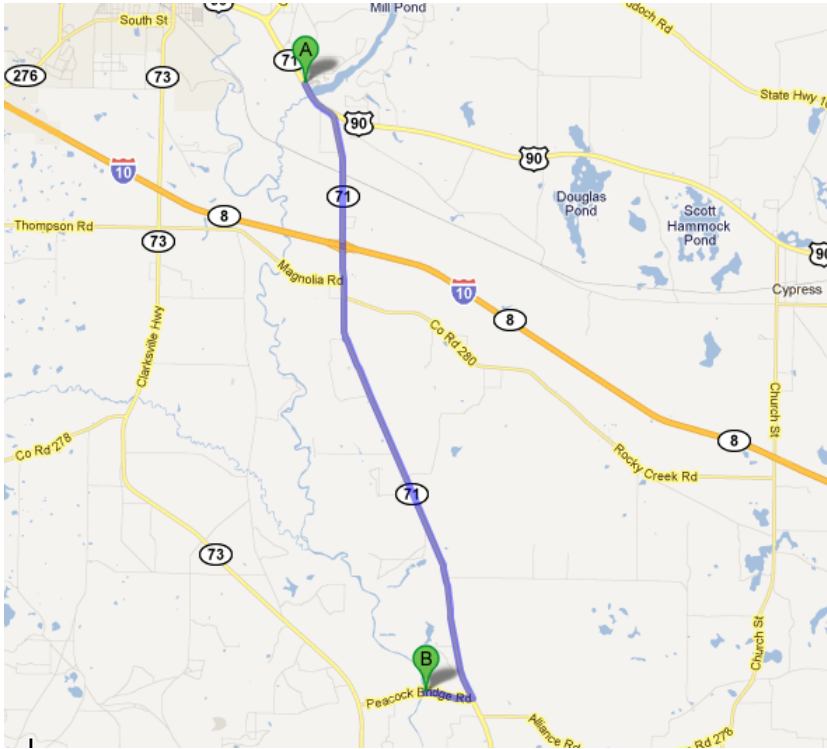
### Peacock Bridge to Look and Tremble

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The “Look and Tremble” section of the Chipola River is the middle section, with plenty of limestone boulders, occasional shoal waters, and, when the water level is just right, a frisky section of whitewater at the Look and Tremble rapids near the town of Altha. High water may submerge the rapids, making a disappointing finale to this trip, but low water makes it very interesting.

**From the Campground:** Turn left out of the campground on to US 90, head east, and turn right on SR 71, heading south toward the Interstate. Go straight under I-10, heading south. About 6½ miles south of I-10, we’ll come to Peacock Bridge Road on the right. Slow down, because it comes up fast.

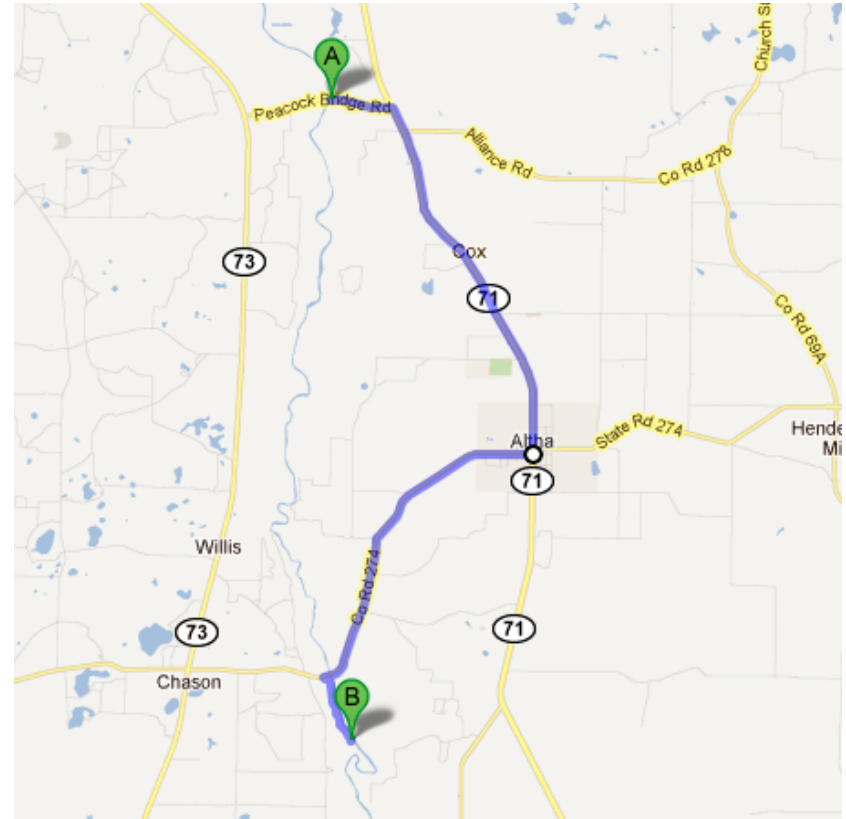
Turn right on Peacock Bridge Road, and watch for a gravel road on the left to the Peacock Bridge boat ramp. This is where we’ll unload our boats. There are trash cans there, but no facilities.



**Shuttle:** Go back out the gravel road, turn right on Peacock Bridge Road, and turn right on SR 71. About 4¼ miles south, we come into the town of Altha. Turn right at the main intersection in town, on SR 274 (Chipola Street). Go to the bridge over the Chipola River, and turn left on the other side of the bridge. This leads to a narrow dirt road into the woods to our take-out.

**On the River:** The put-in is concrete, so carry your boats if possible.

The river is wide and calm here, with high banks and shady overhanging trees. Depending on the water level, some wide-open spots will also have shallow stretches, with fast-running water over the rocks. A good eye for reading the water is very helpful here. Because much of the river's water is from springs, the water is usually cool. Much of the land on the banks is either farm fields or timberlands. Farther south, in Calhoun County, the State of Florida has acquired the left bank for the Middle Chipola River Florida Forever project. There



is a commonly used lunch/picnic spot, with rope swing, on the left bank where there is also a rock in the middle of the river that sometimes appears.

Farther south, large new homes appear on the right-hand bank, and then the concrete arch bridge at County Road 274. This means you are nearing Look and Tremble. Run the rapid on the left side, or, pull to the right, stop and watch the fun.

**Going Home:** Pull out to the paved road by the bridge, turn right, go up County Road 274 to Altha. There's a gas station and a grocery store if you need them. Go north (left) on SR 73 back toward Marianna, past I-10, to downtown Marianna. Turn right on US 90 in the middle of town, go 2½ miles to the campground, on your left just before Merritt's Millpond.