



# Cayo Costa State Park Adopt-A-Nest

Did you know that Cayo Costa State Park turtle patrol volunteers mark more than 300 nests along the Gulf shores each turtle nesting season? It's true! The island's natural shoreline and dune beaches are the perfect sites for the turtles to nest. Because human impact has taken a toll on these gentle sea giants, turtles are struggling to survive. We are doing our part along with experts and volunteers around our state and country to see that nests are protected as much as possible.

Now you can, too! When you donate \$25 per nest, you will "adopt" one of our turtle nests! Volunteers routinely monitor Cayo Costa's shorelines during nesting season and use GPS technology to mark and number each nest. When you "adopt" a nest, you will receive a thank you card in the mail, your name will be listed as a donor, and you will be notified via email of the date it was laid and its GPS location. You will also receive an email letting you know when your nest has hatched. Your "Adopt-A-Nest" funds will assist in providing needed supplies used to protect the nests as well as pay for other resource management needs.

## Yes! I would like to adopt-a-nest to assist in turtle conservation at Cayo Costa State Park!

Name of Adoptive Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email address for updates and reports \_\_\_\_\_

Name of purchaser, if different from above \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Email address of purchaser \_\_\_\_\_

Number of nests adopted \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$25 each = \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Amount Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Make checks payable to Friends of Cayo Costa

Would you like to be contacted about becoming a member of FoCC, volunteering for the FoCC, or providing much needed in-kind services?  Yes  No

If you wish, print and mail this, please send it to:

**Friends of Cayo Costa State Park, P.O. Box 15, Bokeelia, FL 33922**

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### The Mission of the Friends of Cayo Costa State Park (FoCC)

To preserve, protect and promote Cayo Costa State Park so that present and future generations may continue to enjoy its natural beauty, its recreational opportunities and learn about its history through education, environmental stewardship.

The Friends of Cayo Costa State Park (FoCC) is based on Pine Island, Florida. FoCC is a division of Barrier Island Parks Society (BIPS), a 501c3 organization which is the official Citizens Support Organization for Cayo Costa, Gasparilla, Stump Pass, Don Pedro State Parks and Port Boca Grande Lighthouse & Museum, Gasparilla Island Light and Amory Chapel Museum. All funds raised by FoCC will be used exclusively for Cayo Costa State Park. Tax #65-0327405.

