

SOUTH CAROLINA'S RIVERS BRIDGE

STATE HISTORIC SITE

Site of one of the Confederacy's last stands against General William T. Sherman's sweep across the South, the still-intact earthen fortifications at Rivers Bridge State Historic Site bear silent witness to the fierce battle that raged there on Feb. 2-3, 1865.

The outnumbered Southerners held on for two days, marking the only major resistance the Union army encountered on its march from Georgia through South Carolina, which culminated a few weeks later with the burning of Columbia. The war itself ended soon after.

Today, Rivers Bridge is on the National Register of Historic Places and is the only state historic site in South Carolina that preserves a Civil War battlefield.

Rivers Bridge also preserves and interprets the Memorial Grounds where Confederate dead from that two-day struggle are interred. Ranger-guided tours and special programs help educate visitors about the battle and military life during the Civil War.



Designation: National Register

Counties: Bamberg

Acreage: 390

Pets: Pets are allowed in most outdoor areas provided they are kept under physical restraint or on a leash not longer than six feet.

Admissions: Free admission

Driving Directions:

From I-95: Take exit 57 at Walterboro onto Hwy 64 W toward Barnwell. Turn onto Hwy 641 toward Allendale and follow the Rivers Bridge State Historic Site directional signs.

From I-26: Take exit 145 at Orangeburg onto Hwy 601 toward Bamberg. Turn onto Hwy 301 toward Allendale and follow the Rivers Bridge State Historic Site directional signs.

From I-20: Take exit #18 at Aiken onto Hwy 19 S toward Aiken. Turn onto Hwy 78 E toward Denmark. Turn onto Hwy 321 S toward Savannah and follow the Rivers Bridge State Historic Site directional signs.

GPS Coordinates: Long: 81° 5' 35.63"W , Lat: 33° 3' 46.46"N

Park Facilities and Activities:

Birding

Boating and Boat Access

Interpretive Trail

Meeting Building (Kitchen, max. capacity 100)

Picnic Area/Picnic Shelter



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Office Hours: 11am-noon

Park Hours: Th-M 9am-6pm