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## South Carolina State Parks

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**TUESDAY TIDBIT -- ON WEDNESDAY!** We have a visitor at Hunting Island State Park -- The Sandhill Crane is a long-legged, long-necked bird with a naked red forehead and slate or brown-gray plumage. Adults have a white chin, cheek and upper throat and black primaries. The young have a feathered head and chocolate-brown plumage with some rusty color. Sandhill cranes have are 34 to 38" in length and weigh 8-10 pounds. Preening with muddy bills, cranes may stain feathers of upper back, lower neck and breast with ferrous solution contained in the mud. During migration, they fly in V-formations or make long lines. Their calls can be heard for miles. They have an unforgettable trumpeting call of gar-oo-oo. It is produced by a modified windpipe that has been likened to a French horn.



**Nelle Tyler** HOW BEAUTIFUL!

at 13:46:45 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Chuck Floyd** Wow...

at 13:50:35 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Ann Klein** is there a link to this park? I'm new to the state and not sure where this is but would love to go and see the Cranes

at 13:53:24 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Monique Davis** I love these. We get to see them when we stay in sunset lakes, outside of Orlando. They let us get right up to them! We have some great pictures, it's always a highlight of our Disney trips :)

at 13:54:07 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Dean M Spencer** nice, now that's a big bird lol

at 14:11:49 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Jerri Thomas Garner** When I lived in Central Florida, we had a family of them that would show up every winter at my office. They were rather used to us and would walk right up to the door sometimes to stand under the shaded patio. One day I watched one through the glass door, who apparently was watching me too. He proceeds to walk up to the door and "knock" on it with his beak, as if to ask if he could come in. Needless to say, I didn't oblige!

at 14:29:24 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**South Carolina State Parks** Here's the link to Hunting Island:

<http://www.southcarolinaparks.com/park-finder/state-park/1019.aspx>

at 14:39:13 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Ann Klein** thanks so much!!!!

at 14:54:46 on 8/11/2010 UTC

**Ramona Adkins** Hunting Island is my and hubby's favorite state park!



at 15:28:47 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Judy McCormick Dayner** Wow; I'm going over to Hunting Island to see if I can see this animal.

at 17:47:51 on 8/11/2010 UTC



**Penny Wallace Goddard** this is my favorite park to visit! love it love it!!!!!!

at 0:13:32 on 8/12/2010 UTC



**Laura Di Girolamo Simoes** Great pic! Great Campground!! Love that place. When our eldest (now almost 21)grandson came with us for a long weekend, he said 'no wonder you love this place. This is how heaven looks like!' He's right.

at 11:38:59 on 8/12/2010 UTC