

# Florida Magnificent Wilderness

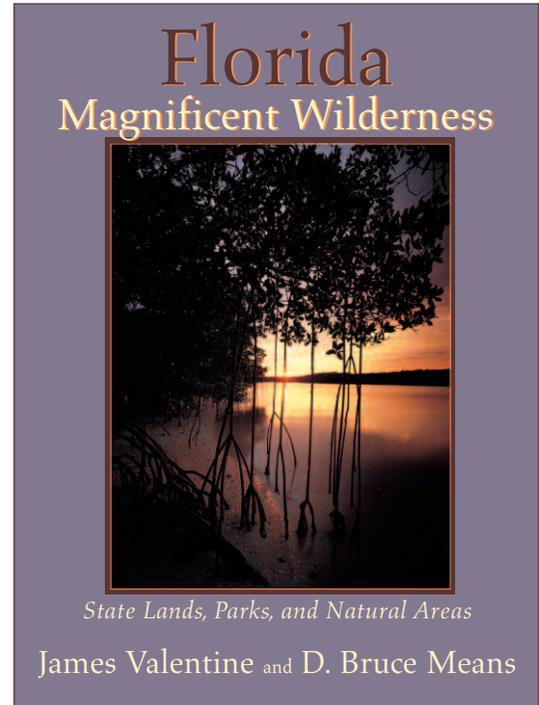
## *State Lands, Parks, and Natural Areas*

James Valentine and D. Bruce Means

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Many years in the making, *Florida Magnificent Wilderness* is a special visual journey through some of the most precious wild areas in the state, presenting the breathtaking beauty preserved in state lands, parks, and natural areas. World-famous nature photographer James Valentine has used his camera to record environmental art images of the state's remote wilderness places, spectacular sites too often missed by Florida's visitors and residents. Valentine also offers his poetic interpretations of the meaning of his images. Dr. D. Bruce Means, founder and president of the Coastal Plains Institute and Land Conservancy, has written the main text, "Florida's Rich Biodiversity." The book is divided into six sections, covering the wildlife and natural ecosystems of Florida, with the introduction to each written by a highly respected Florida writer and conservationist, including Al Burt, Manley Fuller, Steve Gatewood, D. Bruce Means, Victoria Tschinkel, and Bernie Yokel.



### ABOUT THE AUTHORS

**James Valentine** is an environmental filmmaker, consultant, writer, poet, speaker, and scuba diver. Valentine is president of the Quest Foundation, which works toward nature preservation and environmental education through the arts and sciences. He coordinates his photographic work with leading environmental groups and cultural organizations throughout the world. *Florida Magnificent Wilderness*, recipient of a Governor's Environmental Education Award, is his ninth major book depicting Southern areas. **Bruce Means** has conducted research on Florida's ecosystems and wildlife for 38 years. He and Valentine are collaborating on a documentary film and book to help preserve one of the world's last pristine wildernesses, the Guiana Shield of South America.

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