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What are some parks that feature great natural beauty to you?

I've always liked the parks that had natural resource beauty, they have streams, they have historical significance, and they tell a story about the community, about some phase, in the history of the state of Georgia. Three of them come to mind, Hamburg State Park in Sandersville, if you've been there and seen the only gristmill, the lake and the stream behind it, how that was used to catch fish and then George L. Smith State Park down near Twin city, on a 500 acre lake with a gristmill, and that whole environment there has some of the most beautiful Cyprus trees you've ever seen. If you go out on the lake, and it's the fall, like right now, which we're filming, all the needles on the Cyprus will turn a golden brown. And for about two weeks there, it's like the whole place is on fire because all the needles fall. It's a whole new experience in that swampy lake there that's a joy to see. You see a lot of the ducks flying in. so I'd say any of the parks like that are really to me, are beautiful places to enjoy and experience.