## Abercrombie Park By Bob Miller





Near this park, the 400 man expedition led by Panfilo De Narvaez landed on April 15, 1528 to begin the first exploration of North America.

Erected by The Florida Society Colonial Dames of the XVII Century January 15, 1958



## This tract of land known as Abercrombie Park"

Intended for the rest and refreshment of those who may be weary in body or spirit, and to preserve for future generations an unspoiled bit if the native beauty of Florida, was given by a citizen of St. Petersburg as a tribute to the memory of the Old South.

Exemplified in the best of its traditions in the person of John Baynton Abercrombie M.D. and Susan Cary, his wife, they came to this district in 1884 from Memphis Tennessee, with their children and several of their former slaves, and built in the forest a home near what is now Lakeview Avenue and Sixteenth Street South. He was the first physician to practice medicine in St. Petersburg, where he resided until his death in 1912, being then nearly 73 years of age."





A boardwalk through wetlands.





Enjoy a leisurely walk through the park in the shade beneath old oaks draped with Spanish Moss.







Relax on a park bench and watch the sun set over Boca Ciega Bay