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What is so special about Everglades National Park?

'Gators and egrets, anhingas and ibises. The most special place in the world. Everglades National Park has a plethora of special species and habitats. When I visualize the special things in the Everglades I am so joyful. The sound of the Everglades is so soothing; the aroma of the Everglades is the best aroma in the world.

First of all, the Everglades is special because of the varieties of alligators and birds. The amount of alligators added up to one hundred and twenty-one that I counted. The alligators were all different lengths and widths. The plethora of birds was awesome. The birds were all different colors, sizes and heights. There were egrets, anhingas, woodstorks, and ibises.

Second of all, the Everglades is special because of the habitats. There were so many habitats like bay heads, hammocks, borrow pits, and pinelands. An abundance of animals live in these habitats. The habitats in the Everglades provide enough food, shelter and space for the animal that's lives in the habitat.

Last, the Everglades is special because it is a place where animals as well as humans can roam and be free. The animals can be free and not be afraid of mankind. The animals in the Everglades have a great place to stay and be free. The Everglades is so special that if I were an animal I would live in the Everglades.

That is why the beautiful land of the Everglades is special. I can infer that all animals are very joyful about living in the great land of the EVERGLADES.