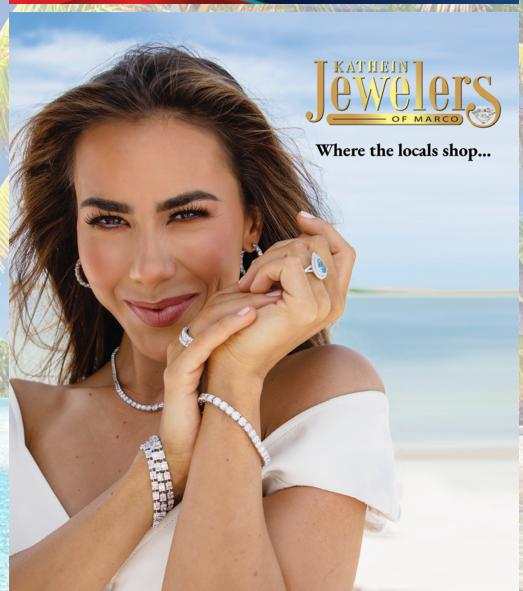
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JANUARY

- Open Air Farmers Market Naples, Year Round, Saturdays
- Annual Everglades Roots Festival
- Annual Fine Arts Festvial Naples
- Festival of Birds Naples
- Naples Art Institute New Years Art Fair
- Naples Half Marathon
- Martin Luther King Jr Celebrations & Parade
- Naples
- Naples Big Band Concert
- Naples Boat Show
- Pets on Third Pet Parade PetFest Naples
- Swamp Buggy Parade Naples

FEBRUARY

- Annual Cars on 5th Naples
- Annual Front & Center Gala Naples
- Annual ORA Bazaar Everglades City
- Chubb Classic @ Tiburon Naples
- Everglades City Seafood Fest
- · Marco Island Souper Bowl
- Marco Island Kiwanis Car Show
- Mason Classical Academy Annual 5K Run /
 1 Mile Walk Naples
- Naples India Fest
- National Art Fair Naples
- Naples Health & Wellness Festival / Market
- Pineapple Day at the Museum -Marco Island
- Rock Marco Island
- Strawberry Festival Marco Island
- ZOOBILEE Naples

MARCH

- 5K Family Fun Race Marco Island
- All You Can Eat Breakfast Everglades City
- Annual Grapefruit Gala Everglades City
- Annual Sun & Star Fest Everglades City
- Annual Community Garage Sales -Everglades City
- Art in the Glades Everglades City
- Everglades City Extravaganza
- Fine Craft Show Marco Island
- Harbor Arts & Music Fest Everglades City
- Marco Island Craft Fair
- Mid Winter Championship Regatta -Marco Island
- Naples Flower Show
- Outdoor Fine Art Show Marco Island
- Spring Jubilee Marco Island
- Tour De Marco Marco Island

APRIL

- Annual Downtown Naples Art Fair
- Annual National Park Week -Everglades City
- Cars as Art Marco Island
- Earth Day Festival Naples
- Festival Under the Stars Naples
- Marco Island Craft Fair
- Marco Island Fire Department Annual Pancake Breakfast
- Marco Island Rib Cook-Off
- Naples Art Institute Fair
- Naples Craft Beer Festival
- Naples St. Patricks Day Parade
- US Open Pickleball Championships -Everglades City

MAY

- Annual Mayors Fish Fry Everglades City
- Memorial Day Ceremony Marco Island
- Naples Ballet Spring Performance
- Naples Police Department Saftey Fair & Family Fun Day
- SNIP 5K Naples
- Tropicool 5K Naples

JUNE

- Annual Canelope Classic Everglades City
- Juneteenth Naples
- Marco Island Beach Clean Up
- Naples PRIDEFEST
- Parade & Fireworks Everglades City
- Pirate Day at the Museum -Marco Island
- Royal Poinciana Festival Naples
- Spammy Jammy Everglades City

JULY - AUGUST

- 4th of July Parade & Fireworks Naples
- Annual Independence Day Celebrations Everglades City
- Bark on the Ark w/ Pure Florida Naples
- Celebrating Imagination Exhibition -Marco Island
- Firecracker 5K Naples
- Ice Cream Social @ Collier Museum Naples
- Lipman Backpack Giveaway & Back to School Event - Immokalee
- Taste the Tropics Naples
- Farmworker Appreciateion Day Naples
- LCF Alumni Talent Show Naples

SEPTEMBER

- Annual Blessing of the Stone Crab Fleet -Everglades City
- Annual Immokalee BIG BUS Event
- International Coastal Clean Up Day Naples
- Romp in the Swamp Naples
- Waterlilly Weekend Naples

OCTOBER

- 5th Ave. Annual Halloween Spooktacular Naples
- Annual Nate Edwards Fishing Tournament -Everglades City
 - City of Naples Trunk or Treat
 - Halloween Spooktacular Marco
 Island
 - Light up the Night Everglades City
 - National Night Out Naples



Local Area Events

NOVEMBER

- 5K Run / Walk Everglades City
- Annual Holiday Bazaar Everglades City
- Annual Hook Em In the Glades -Everglades City
- Beach Clean Up Marco Island
- CME Group Tour Golf Championship Naples
- Everglades City Centennial Music Fest
- Florida Panther Festival Naples
- Ford Winter Estates Holiday Lights Naples
- Gobble Wobble Thanksgiving Day 5K -Naples
- Holiday PAWS for the Night Naples
- Immokalee Christmas Tree Lighting
- Magical Cirque Christmas Naples
- Naples Christmas on Third Street Holiday Street South Tree Lighting
- Naples Holiday Celebrations Around the World
- Naples Third Street South Snow Fall
- Pet Photos with Santa Naples
- Redshook Catch & Release Charity Fishing Tournament - Naples
- Santas Arrival on Marco Island

DECEMBER

- Annual Christmas Boat Parade -Everglades City
- Celebration of Lights Naples
- Christmas at Historic Palm Cottage Naples
- Christmas Tree Lighting & Parade -Everglades City
- Fifth Avenue Christmas Walk Naples
- Grateful Holiday Jam Everglades City
- Holiday Boat Parade Naples
- Holiday Lights in the Garden Naples
- Immokalee Christmas Around the World
- Immokalee Cowboy Christmas
- Photos with Santa Naples
- Marco Island Christmas Tree Lighting
- Marco Island Canine Christmas Parade
- Marco Island Milk & Cookies with Santa
- Naples Chanukah Festival
- Naples & Marco Island Christmas Boat Parade
- Naples Santa Paws
- Naples SnoFest
- Naples Winter Celebration & Christmas Parade
- Naples Winter Waterland
- NYE Fireworks at Naples Pier
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\mathcal{C} ollier County History



With a population of 375,752 as of 2020, Collier County is located in southwest Florida. The county seat, East Naples, has been home to the county offices since 1962, when they were relocated from Everglades City. Interestingly, archaeological findings at Platt Island in the Big Cypress National Preserve reveal that human settlement in the area dates back over 2000 years. When European explorers arrived, the Calusa people had already established a substantial presence in the region. The county's origins can be traced back to 1923, when it was carved out of Lee County. Its namesake, Barron Collier, was a prominent figure in New York City's advertising and real estate circles, who later made his mark in Southwest Florida as a major landowner. Collier agreed to construct the Tamiami Trail in exchange for the state legislature's favor, which ultimately led to the creation of a county bearing his name.

Cities

Everglades City - 352 Marco Island - 15,760 Naples - 19,115

Census Designated Places

Ave Maria - 6,242 Berkshire Lakes - 2,527 Chokoloskee - 346 Golden State - 25,321 Goodland - 312 Heritage Bay - 1,117 Immokalee - 24,557 Island Walk - 2,812 Lely - 3,694 Lely Resort - 7.619

Census Designated Places (Contd)

Marco Shores - Hammock Bay - 957 Naples Manor - 5,132 Naples Park - 5,092 Orangetree - 5,896 Pelican Bay - 6,660 Pelican Marsh - 2,453 Pine Ridge - 1,918 Plantation Island - 119 Verona Walk - 2,713 Vineyards - 3,883 Winding Cypress - 697

Community Developed Districts

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Other unincorporated communities

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East Naples ~ County Seat - 26,000
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Jerome
Miles City
North Naples
Ochopee
Vanderbilt Beach
Vanderbilt Beach Estates

*Populations are approximate.

Collier County Communities

East Naples

With a rich history spanning over 10,000 years, Collier County in Florida, has been home to a diverse range of residents. The earliest inhabitants, the Paleoindians, thrived in the region's temperate grasslands, teeming with Ice Age megafauna such as Columbian mammoths and saber-toothed cats. These hunter-gatherers can be considered the area's first seasonal visitors, enjoying the dry climate. Later, the Calusa domain, which stretched from the Ten Thousand Islands to Charlotte Harbor, played a significant role in the region's history. The Calusa, known for their fierce resistance, defended the coast against Spanish colonization until their decline in the 1700s. In the early 19th century, the Seminoles from north Florida migrated to the area, hunting in the northern high prairies and inhabiting the southern cypress swamps. Although settlers of various ethnicities began to arrive in the 1850s and 1860s, it wasn't until the 1870s that permanent settlements were established in what would become Everglades City, Marco Island, Immokalee, and Naples. Interestingly, Collier County has undergone several name changes throughout its history. Initially part of Monroe County, with its seat in Key West, it later became part of Lee County in 1887. Today, East Naples, an unincorporated community in Collier County, is home to an estimated 26,000 people and has served as the county seat since 1962, when the Collier County Courthouse was relocated from Everglades.

Golden Gate

In Collier County, Florida, a census-designated place and community known as Golden Gate exists. Situated in the northeastern outskirts of Naples, this section of town has a rich history dating back to the 1950s and 1960s. During this period, Gulf American Corporation's founders, Jack and Leonard Rosen, acquired a vast 175-square-mile area of Everglades swampland to build a sub-division. As of the 2020 census, the population of Golden Gate stands at 25,321.

Immokalee

Located in Collier County, Florida, Immokalee is a census-designated place and unincorporated community with a rich history. The region's earliest inhabitants were the Calusa people, followed centuries later by the Seminole, who migrated from northern Florida. Initially, the area was referred to as Gopher Ridge by both the Seminole and Miccosukee nations. Interestingly, the name "Immokalee" translates to "your home" in the Mikasuki language. As the swamps were drained, agriculture emerged as the dominant industry, attracting a diverse group of settlers, including European-American hunters, trappers, Native American traders, cowmen, and missionaries. The first permanent village was established in 1872, and the area's growth was further facilitated by the extension of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad's Haines City Branch to Immokalee in 1921. Although the railroad was eventually removed in 1989, the region's agricultural focus has endured, with Immokalee becoming one of the nation's leading centers for tomato production. As of the 2020 census, the population of Immokalee stands at 24,557.

Collier County Communities

Marco Island

Located on the Gulf Coast of the United States, Marco Island is a barrier island and city in Collier County, Florida, situated 20 miles south of Naples. As the largest island in the Ten Thousand Islands area, which stretches from Cape Sable to the south, Marco Island boasts a rich history dating back to 500 CE, when the Calusa people inhabited the island and surrounding regions. Notably, anthropologist Frank Hamilton Cushing discovered a trove of Calusa artifacts on Key Marco, an adjacent island now connected to Marco Island, during the Pepper-Hearst Expedition in 1896. Among the most significant finds was the intricately carved wooden "Key Marco Cat". The island's development began in earnest in the late 1800s, following the arrival of William Thomas Collier and his family. In 1870, Collier founded the village of Marco, and his son, William D. "Capt. Bill" Collier, opened a hotel on the island in 1896, now known as the Olde Marco Inn. In 1922, Barron G. Collier, the namesake of Collier County, acquired a substantial tract of land on Marco Island. The island incorporated as Collier City in 1927, but was abolished in 1957, with James Harvey Doxsee Sr. serving as its sole mayor. Marco Island reincorporated as a city on August 28, 1997. The island's population stood at 15,760 as of the 2020 census.

Naples

Located in Florida's Collier County, lies the city of Naples. Long before European settlers arrived, the Calusa indigenous people inhabited the region, including present-day Naples, for thousands of years, stretching from Charlotte Harbor to Cape Sable. In 1513, Spanish explorer Juan Ponce de León ventured into the area, encountering the Calusa, who fiercely resisted his attempts to establish a Spanish colony in Florida. This marked the beginning of a nearly two-century-long conflict between the Spanish and the Calusa. As the 18th century dawned, the Calusa were forced to flee south and east to escape slave raids from Muscogee and Yamasee raiders, who were allied with European settlers in Carolina. Fast-forward to 1886, when former Confederate general and Kentucky U.S. Senator John Stuart Williams, along with his partner Walter N. Haldeman, a prominent businessman and publisher of the Louisville Courier-Journal, founded the city of Naples. The area's mild climate and abundant fish supply drew comparisons to the Italian peninsula, earning it the nickname Naples. By the summer of 1888, the population had grown to around 80 people, and the first hotel opened its doors in 1889. Although major development was expected to follow the establishment of Collier County in 1923, the completion of the Seaboard Air Line Railroad extension in 1927, and the linking of Naples to Miami via the Tamiami Trail in 1928, it was delayed due to the 1929 Stock market crash, the Great Depression, and World War II. During the war, the U.S. Army Air Forces built a small airfield, now known as the Naples Municipal Airport, for training purposes. As of the 2020 census, Naples boasts a population of 19,115.

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Increased Physical Activity: Nature encourages physical activity, whether it's hiking, biking, walking, or simply exploring outdoor spaces. Engaging in outdoor activities promotes exercise, which is essential for maintaining physical health and fitness. Additionally, being in nature often involves exposure to sunlight, which helps the body produce vitamin D and supports overall well-being.

Enhanced Creativity & Cognitive Function: Nature stimulates creativity and cognitive function. Research suggests that spending time in natural environments can improve problem-solving skills, boost creativity, and enhance concentration and focus. Nature provides a rich sensory experience that activates different parts of the brain, fostering cognitive development and innovation.

Connection with the Environment: Spending time in nature fosters a deeper connection with the environment and promotes environmental stewardship. When people experience the beauty and wonder of nature firsthand, they are more likely to develop a sense of appreciation and respect for the natural world. This connection can lead to greater awareness of environmental issues and a desire to protect and preserve natural habitats for future generations.

Overall, being in nature offers a multitude of benefits for both physical and mental well-being, making it essential for maintaining a healthy and balanced lifestyle.



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Golden Gate Community Park

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Naples Depot Museum

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Naples Historical Society

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Naples Lionel Train Museum

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Naples Museum of Military Hostory

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Naples Waterway & Wildlife Tours -Water Wuber

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38000 E Tamiami Trail | Ochopee |

239-695-2099

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Boating safety is critical for anyone who operates a boat or spends time on the water. Here are some general boating safety tips to keep in mind:

Always wear a life jacket while boating. Make sure the life jacket is appropriate for your weight and is U.S. Coast Guard approved. Check the weather forecast before you go boating and keep an eye on changing conditions. If you notice darkening clouds, rough winds or sudden drops in temperature, ger on the water. • Use navigation aids: Use navigation aids like buoys and beacons to help you navigate safely. • Maintain your boat: Keep your boat well-maintained and good working condition. Keep your boat well-maintained and in good working condition. Make sure all safety equipment is in good condition and Avoid alcohol: Do not drink alcohol while operating a boat. It is functioning properly. illegal and increases the likelihood of accidents. • W : Observe speed limits and maintain a safe speed based on conditions. Remember, slower speeds may be necessary in crowded areas or in inclement weather. • Be aware of otl for other boats and be aware of their movements. Always assume other boaters may not Learn and follow boating safety laws and regulations. This includes rules for navigation, safety equipment, and right-of-way. Always let someone know where you are going and when you plan to return. File a float

plan with a trusted person or a marina. * Take a boating safety course: Consider taking a boating safety course to improve your skills and knowledge.

By following these general boating safety tips, you can reduce the likelihood of accidents and enjoy a safe and enjoyable time on the water.

Pishing Licensing

For specific zone areas, dates & details check online: https://myfwc.com, Telephone: (850) 488-4676, or scan the OR code.



Recreational Freshwater or Saltwater Fishing License Prices:

Resident Annual: \$17.00 Resident Five-Year: \$79.00 Non-Resident Annual: \$47.00 Non-Resident 3-Day: \$17.00 Non-Resident 7-Day: \$30.00

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Five-Year Resident Gold Sportsman's License:

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License-free Freshwater Days

First consecutive Saturday & Sunday in April Second consecutive Saturday & Sun. in June

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First consecutive Saturday & Sunday in June First Saturday in September Saturday following Thanksgiving

Pishing Piers & Boat Ramps

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Gulf of Mexico | 25 12th Ave. S | Naples

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1295 Capri Blvd. | Naples | 239-252-4000

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1101 9th St. | Naples | 239-213-1819

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321 Pear Tree Ave. | Goodland | 239-252-4000

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525 Newport Dr. | Naples | 239-642-3133

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HURRICANE SAFETY



If authorities issue evacuation orders, follow them promptly. Delaying evacuation can put your life and the lives of emergency responders at risk. They have the most up-to-date information on the storm and can provide guidance on the safest course of action. Remember that each hurricane is unique, so it's essential to stay informed and adapt your plans accordingly. Preparedness and early action are key to minimizing risks and ensuring the safety of yourself and your loved ones during a hurricane.

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SECURE YOUR HOME

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HURRICANE CATEGORIES

> The Highest Recorded Wind Speed of a Hurricane is 215 mph

Rip currents are powerful, narrow channels of fast-moving water that can pose a danger to swimmers and surfers. Getting caught in a rip current can be frightening, but knowing how to recognize and handle them can help you stay safe. Here's how to avoid or get out of a rip current in the ocean:

1. Stay Calm & Don't Fight the Current:

If you find yourself caught in a rip current, stay calm and try not to panic. Remember that rip currents do not pull swimmers underwater; instead, they pull them away from the shore. Avoid fighting against the current by swimming directly back to shore, as this can lead to exhaustion.

- 3. Swim Parallel to the Shore: If you feel confident in your swimming abilities, swim parallel to the shoreline instead of trying to swim directly back to shore. Rip currents are typically narrow, so swimming parallel to the shore can help you escape the pull of the current. Once you're out of the rip current, you can then swim back to the shore at an angle.
- 5. Seek Assistance if Needed: If you're unable to escape the rip current on your own or if you're feeling exhausted, continue to signal for help and wait for assistance from lifeguards or other beachgoers. Don't hesitate to call for help if you need it, as prompt action can prevent a dangerous situation from escalating.

- 2. Float & Conserve Energy: If you're unable to swim out of the rip current, conserve your energy by floating or treading water. Signal for help by waving your arms and calling for assistance if you see lifeguards or other beachgoers nearby. Most rip currents are narrow, and you will eventually be carried out of the current and into calmer waters.
- 4. Use Waves to Help You Escape: Wait for waves to push you towards shore and use them to assist your escape from the rip current. Time your movements with the breaking waves, and use the momentum to swim towards the shore. Be patient and persistent, and don't exhaust yourself by attempting to fight against the current.

Always swim at beaches with lifeguards present, heed warning signs, and follow any instructions or advice given by local authorities.

Feeder Current

Sandbar

RIP CURP.

Feeder Current

Beach

Sandbar



INGREDIENTS

2 steaks (ribeye or sirloin are good choices)

Salt and pepper

tablespoons unsalted butter

2 cloves garlic, minced

Fresh herbs (optional)

Enjoy your deliciou buttered-up steak!

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Take the steaks out of the refrigerator and let them come to room temperature for about 30 minutes. This helps the steak cook more evenly.
- 2 Preheat your oven to 400°F.
- **3** Season the steaks generously with salt and pepper on both sides.
- 4 Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Add the steaks and cook for about 2-3 minutes per side, until nicely browned.
- 5 Remove the steaks from the skillet and place them on a baking sheet.6 In the same skillet, add the butter and
- 6 In the same skillet, add the butter and garlic. Cook for about 30 seconds, stirring constantly, until the garlic is fragrant.
- **7** Pour the garlic butter over the steaks on the baking sheet.
- **8** Place the baking sheet in the oven and cook for about 5-7 minutes for medium-rare doneness, or longer if you prefer your steak more well-done.
- **9** Remove the steaks from the oven and let them rest for a few minutes before slicing.
- 10 Serve the steak with any remaining butter from the baking sheet and fresh herbs if desired.

PREP: 35 MIN • TOTAL: 50 MIN



BARBECUE DO'S:

- use proper barbecue equipment and tools, such as a grill, tongs, and spatulas.
- preheat your grill before placing any food on it.
- marinate your meat before cooking to enhance the flavor.
- keep a close eye on your food while grilling to prevent overcooking or burning.
- use a meat thermometer to ensure that your meat is cooked to the correct internal temperature.
- let your meat rest for a few minutes before slicing or serving to allow the juices to redistribute.
- keep your grill and utensils clean to prevent any foodborne illness.

BARBECUE DON'TS:

- use lighter fluid to start your grill.
 Instead, use a chimney starter or electric starter.
- overcrowd your grill. Leave enough space between the pieces of meat to ensure even cooking.
- use a fork to flip your meat. Piercing the meat can cause it to lose its juices and become dry.
- baste your meat with sugary sauces too early in the cooking process, as it can burn and create a bitter taste.
- leave cooked meat out in the sun for too long, as it can spoil quickly.
- assume that meat is fully cooked by its color. Always use a meat thermometer to check the internal temperature.
- leave your grill unattended while it's still hot. Always make sure to properly cool it down before leaving it.

Be smart...



Take good care of your skin

The skin is an organ and helps protect against heat, sunlight, injury, and infections. This is why it is important to always protect it. Overexposure to the sun can be linked to some skin cancers. Ultraviolet rays from the sun or sunlamps can also cause eye problems, weakened immune system, age spots, wrinkles, and leathery skin.

· Protect your skin

Wear proper clothing like long-sleeved shirts and pants. Also protect your head and eyes with a hat and UV-resistant sunglasses.

Remember that you can also fall victim to the sun on a cloudy day as well as in the winter.

Sunburns increase the risk of developing skin cancer. It is especially important that children don't get a sunburns.

Peak burning hours, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the World Health Organization, are between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Reflective surfaces, like water, snow, and sand can reflect sun rays and make them more intense.

You experience more UV exposure at higher altitudes, because there is less atmosphere to absorb UV radiation.

Use a broad-spectrum sunscreen to cover all exposed skin. The FDA recommends using sun screens that are broad spectrum and have a sun protection factor (SPF) value of at least 15. Re-apply sunscreen throughout the day.

Protect your eyes

UV rays can penetrate the structures of your eyes and cause cell damage. According to the CDC, some sun-related vision problems cause cataracts, macular degeneration, and pte rygium.

UV index

Before going outside you can check the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) UV index. To see the intensity of UV rays for the day. The index measures on a scale of 1 to 11. If its low on the UV index you will require less protection and a high UV index will require a lot more protection.



Beach flags are commonly used to communicate important information to beachgoers. The color-coded flag system may vary slightly from one location to another, but the following are commonly recognized color meanings:

Blue Flag: This flag is used to signify that lifeguards are on duty and that the area is being actively monitored for safety.

Green Flag: Indicates that it is safe to swim. The water conditions are generally calm, & there is a low risk of hazards such as strong currents or high waves.

Yellow Flag: Caution is advised. This flag suggests that there may be some hazards present, such as moderate surf or currents.

Red Flag: A red flag indicates high hazards & potentially dangerous water conditions. It is a warning that strong currents, high surf, or other dangers are present. It is advised to stay out of the water.

Double Red Flags: This is a more severe warning, & it typically means that the beach is closed to the public. Dangerous conditions, such as strong rip currents or severe weather, pose a significant threat.

Purple Flag: This flag is used to indicate the presence of dangerous marine life, such as sharks or jellyfish. It is advised to exercise caution.

Local Area Trails





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International Protective Service, Inc. (IPS) owner Aaron T. Jones fell in love with the Naples area as a young man. Years later, he became a Naples homeowner. Aaron and his team are committed to making the area a safer place to own property, live and work. IPS has committed valuable resources to protect homes in Naples, by monitoring both the land (with highly trained, experienced, armed officers as standing guards or 24-hour patrols) and its beautiful waterways with a high-speed boat to deter criminals from using those waterways to gain unwanted access to your property. IPS is ready to protect homes and businesses when hurricanes roar in and overwhelm law enforcement to help maintain security and order. You can trust IPS to be there in your time of need.







Born in New York, Dominick A DeMaio & his family moved to southwest Florida when he was just eight years old. He has been expertly installing stone, marble and tile for forty years. His talent and attention to detail is unrelenting. After many decades working in Collier and Lee counties, he decided to open a business installing Epoxy Garage Floors, which is when Dominator Garage Floors was created. Growing up in an Italian family, he holds family dearly and will definitely create beautiful floors for your family home. Along with garage floors he can also install Epoxy flooring to pool decks and patios. Epoxy floors are not only beautiful and easy to clean, they also last for years. With many color combinations to choose from, we are certain you will love you new flooring. When doing business with Dominator Garage Floors, you will always be speaking with the owner, not another sub contractor. He will assess your needs and requests personally. Most importantly, he will be personally performing the work to guarantee quality and your satisfaction. We invite you to let Dominator Garage Floors make your home even more beautiful!



So, You have decided to get a pet... NOW WHAT??

Commitment and Time: Owning a pet is a long-term commitment. Before bringing a pet home, consider your lifestyle and ensure you have enough time to spend with your pet. Dogs, cats, and many other animals require attention, exercise, and mental stimulation.

Choose the Right Pet for Your Lifestyle: Different pets have varying needs, temperaments, and activity levels. Research and select a pet that fits well with your lifestyle, living situation, and family dynamics. Whether you choose a dog, cat, bird, fish, or any other animal, make sure you can provide for its specific needs.

Proper Nutrition: Feed your pet a balanced and nutritious diet suitable for their species and age. Consult with a veterinarian to determine the best food options for your pet's health and well-being.

Regular Exercise: Most pets need regular physical activity to stay healthy and happy. Engage in playtime and exercise with your pet daily, as it helps prevent obesity and provides mental stimulation.

Routine Veterinary Care: Schedule regular check-ups with a veterinarian to monitor your pet's health, get necessary vaccinations, and address any concerns. Early detection of health issues can often lead to better outcomes.

Spaying/Neutering: Consider spaying or neutering your pet if you don't plan on breeding. This helps control the pet population and can have health benefits for your pet.

Training and Socialization: Properly train your pet to follow basic commands and have good manners. Socialize them with other animals and people from a young age to prevent behavioral issues later on.

Provide a Safe Environment: Ensure that your home and yard are safe for your pet. Remove hazards, keep toxic substances out of reach, and provide appropriate shelter from extreme weather conditions.

Grooming: Regular grooming is essential for most pets. Brush their fur, trim nails, and clean their ears as needed to keep them comfortable and healthy.

Identification and Microchipping: Keep identification tags with your current contact information on your pet's collar. Consider microchipping your pet as an extra measure to ensure they can be identified if lost.

Love and Attention: Pets thrive on love and attention from their owners. Spend quality time with your pet, provide affection, and build a strong bond.

Respect and Understanding: Learn to understand your pet's body language and behavior. Respect their boundaries and feelings, and avoid forcing them into uncomfortable situations.



Patience and Forgiveness: Pets, especially young ones, can be mischievous or have accidents. Be patient with them during the training process and forgive any mistakes they make along the way.

Emergency Preparedness: Have a plan in place for emergencies, including natural disasters. Know how to evacuate with your pet safely if needed.

If you have just rescued / adopted a new fur baby, please it is important to remember the 3-3-3 RULE:

3 Days:

In the first 3 days being in its new home, they will be feeling overwhelmed, scared & unsure of what is going on. They may also be uncomfortable being "themselves", and may not want to eat or drink. They may want to "shut down" or hide under a bed or in a crate, and they will test boundaries.

3 Weeks:

At this point, they may be a lot more comfortable & settling in. Learning a new routine can be overwhelming, so please be patient. By now they may have figured out the new environment & accepted that this may be their FURever home. Their personality traits will start to show, as well as any behavior issue that may be present.

3 Months:

For most fur babies, 3 months is enough time to finally be comfortable and begin to build trust and a true bond. A sense of security may be present & a set routine will help this process.

Please know that this is not the rule with every rescued or adopted pet, as some may need 6 months to a year to adjust & adapt, depending on MANY factors. Age of animal, what type of an environment did they come from?



Mosquitoes Prevention & Health Risks



MOSQUITO FREE YARD

Create an environment in your yard that invites animals that like to eat mosquitoes. Some things that enjoy eating mosquitoes are: • Bats • Frogs • Fish • Turtles • Birds Dragonflies

To help repel mosquitoes, plant some of the different vegetation listed: • Citronella • Geranium • Eucalyptus • Rosemary • Basil • Anise • Mint • Marigolds • Catnip • Wormwood • Tansy Lavender • Cedar • Cloves

Don't have stagnant water sitting around in things like buckets or tires.

SAFE WHILE OUTDOORS BE

When a mosquito bites you it can leave saliva in your body. If the mosquito is infected it can transfer diseases to you. A few of the more common diseases transmitted to people are: • Dengue • Encephalitis • Malaria • Yellow Fever. Mosquitoes can also transmit diseases to animals. A couple of these diseases are: • Heartworm (mostly to dogs & cats) • Encephalitis. To reduce your chance of getting a disease from mosquitoes you can, apply mosquito repellent to your skin and clothing.

RANDOM MOSQUITO FACTS

- More than 3,000 different mosquito species can be found around the world.
- Female mosquitoes feed on blood. Male mosquitoes feed on plant nectar.
- Some mosquito species prefer to feed on animals or reptiles over humans.
- All mosquitoes need water to complete their life cycle.
- One female mosquito can lay over 200 eggs at one time. Mosquito larvae only need a week in water to hatch.
- Mosquito eggs can survive for more than five years.
- Mosquitoes can fly around 1 to 2 mph.
- Mosquitoes find food by sight, infrared radiation and chemicals in the air.
- Around 1,000 Americans get ill or die from mosquito bites each year.
- Mosquitoes are a huge food source for birds, bats and some reptiles.







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...and support the community you live in!