

Free Guided Nature Walks

November 2018 - April 2019



Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve 9:30-11 am daily during Nov., Dec. & April; 9:30-11 am & 1:30-3 pm daily during Jan., Feb. & March (including holidays, except for Christmas Day) | 7751 Penzance Blvd., Fort Myers

Discover the diversity of plants and wildlife at this freshwater preserve. Possible sightings include alligators, river otters and woodpeckers. Registration begins 30 minutes prior at the boardwalk entrance. Parking fee \$1/hour. 239-533-7550 ♿

Lakes Park Nov. 3, Dec. 1, Jan. 5, Feb. 2, March 2, April 6, 8-9:30 am | 7330 Gladiolus Dr., Fort Myers

Guides identify the abundant birds and wildlife at this park. Meet at Shelter A7. Parking fee \$1/hour. 239-533-7578 ♿

Caloosahatchee Regional Park Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 22, Feb. 19, March 19, April 16, 9-11 am | 19130 North River Rd., Alva

Explore several natural plant communities, including pine flatwoods and oak hammock. Parking fee \$1/hour. 239-694-0398 ♿

Hickey Creek Mitigation Park Nov. 6, Dec. 4, Jan. 8, Feb. 5, March 5, April 2, 9-11 am | 17980 Palm Beach Blvd., Alva

Join an interpretive naturalist to learn about the exciting birds and native plants Florida. Parking fee \$1/hour. 239-694-0398 ♿

Manatee Park Sundays, December 16-March 31, 9-10:30 am | 10901 Palm Beach Blvd./SR-80, Fort Myers

Explore the park's garden, which supplies food for many birds and butterflies. Parking fee \$2/hour. 239-690-5030 ♿

Bowditch Point Park Tuesdays, 9:30-11 am, Nov. 13, 27; Dec. 11; Jan. 1, 15, 29; Feb. 12, 26; March 12, 26; Fridays, 9-10:30 am, Dec. 21, 28; Jan. 4, 11, 18, 25; Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; April 5, 12, 19, 26 | 50 Estero Blvd., Fort Myers Beach

Learn how plants and animals adapt to this fragile barrier island ecosystem. Parking fee \$2/hour. 239-432-2154 ♿

San Carlos Bay - Bunche Beach Preserve Wednesdays, 9-10 am, Nov. 7, 14, 21, 28; Dec. 5, 12, 19, 26; Jan. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Feb. 6, 13, 20, 27; March 6, 13, 20, 27; April 3, 10, 17, 24 | 18201 John Morris Rd., Fort Myers

"Life Along the Shore": Learn about the birds and aquatic creatures of this beach preserve. Parking fee \$2/hour. 239-432-2154 ♿

Thursdays, 9-10 am, Jan. 3, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21; March 7, 14, 21, 28

"Everything Changes": Learn how beaches are changed by tides, storms and erosion. Parking fee \$2/hour. 239-432-2154 ♿

Matanzas Pass Preserve Thursdays, 9:30-11 am, Nov. 1, 8, 15, 29; Dec. 6, 13, 20, 27; Jan. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28; March 7, 14, 21, 28 | 199 Bay Rd., Fort Myers Beach

"Life in the Mangroves": Discover the diverse plants and animals of this mangrove preserve. Free parking. 239-432-2154 ♿

Caloosahatchee Creeks Preserve - East Dec. 15, Jan. 19, Feb. 16, 9-10:30 am | 10130 Bayshore Rd., North Fort Myers

This is a bird-watching hotspot, especially during the fall and spring bird migrations. Free parking. 239-204-1125 ♿

Galt Preserve Dec. 8, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, 9-10:30 am | 3661 Stringfellow Rd., St. James City, Pine Island

Enjoy a hike through pine flatwoods with a chance to see bald eagles and gopher tortoises. Free parking. 239-204-1125 ♿

Pine Island Flatwoods Preserve Jan. 23, Feb. 27, March 27, 9-10:30 am | 6351 Stringfellow Rd., St. James City

This is one of very few places in Lee County to see naturalized longleaf pines. Free parking. 239-204-1125

Prairie Pines Preserve Jan. 5, Feb. 2, 9-10:30 am | 18400 North Tamiami Trail, North Fort Myers

Explore this bird-watching hotspot and learn about the preserve's many plants and animals. Free parking. 239-204-1125 ♿

Wild Turkey Strand Preserve Jan. 26, Feb. 23, March 23, 9-10:30 am | 11901 Rod & Gun Club Rd., Fort Myers

This seasonal wetland preserve includes remnant structures of the Buckingham Army Air Field. Free parking. 239-204-1125 ♿

Suggested items to bring include water, hat, sunglasses, sunscreen and camera. Please wear closed-toe shoes. No sandals.

Meeting location is the parking area. For any questions, please call the listed phone number. Dates are subject to change and may be postponed or cancelled due to rain/lightning. ♿ Includes restroom ♿ Full walk length is ADA-accessible