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Family Planting Day is November 9 at Naples Botanical Garden

NAPLES, FL – October 31, 2019 – This fall, garden goers of all ages are invited to dig up a favorite holiday side dish: sweet potatoes! Get your hands dirty during our annual Family Planting Day at 9am on Saturday, November 9 as we harvest our summer sweet potatoes and plant our vegetable garden.

Sweet potatoes, a tropical staple crop, thrive in warm, extended growing seasons and protect the Garden's beds from the summer heat. The Education team at Naples Botanical Garden starts thousands of these plants each year for the Garden and for local schools through Collier Greens, sharing cut vines known as "slips" that can produce between three and five potatoes each.

The fall vegetable garden includes tomatoes, onions, kale and more. Planting begins at 9am in the Vicky C. and David Byron Smith Children's Garden and lasts until all the plants are in the ground. No registration necessary. This event is included with regular Garden admission and free for Members.

For more information on Naples Botanical Garden, please visit naplesgarden.org/media, or contact info@naplesgarden.org or 239.643.7275.

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About Naples Botanical Garden

Naples Botanical Garden is a 170-acre, world-class garden paradise that features plants from around the world. The Garden provides arts, culture, youth and adult education, conservation, wellness, and volunteer programs that contribute to the quality of life in Southwest Florida. The Garden's living collections are always growing and evolving, leaving our audiences with a deeper engagement with our curated gardens and Preserve, broadened with every visit. Regular hours of operation are 8 am–5 pm every day, with the Berger Shop in the Garden and Fogg Café opening at 9 am. Regular admission is \$19.95 for adults, \$9.95 for children (4–14); Members and children 3 and under get in free.