

**For Immediate Release**



**Discover the Garden's tastiest event of summer:  
Tasting the Tropics**

**NAPLES, FL – June 26, 2023** – Delight in a bounty of tropical fruits at Naples Botanical Garden on July 1. Guests will have the opportunity to sample mangos, coconut, jackfruit, and so much more. The event features opportunities to learn about these tropical treasures, including educator-led tours exploring the fruiting plants growing throughout the Garden.

From 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., guests may:

- Watch demonstrations
- Taste tropical fruits and see them on display
- Attend W.O.N.D.E.R. family programming, “Little Green Thumbs”
- Pick up some botanical knowledge at our Dig Deeper drop-in adult programming, "The Spice is Right: Spices of Mexico"
- Cool off with fresh gourmet paletas (Mexican style popsicles) available for purchase from Taco Tummy
- Fill up with a fresh, Garden-inspired menu and fruit-themed specials at Fogg Café for purchase.

All Tasting the Tropics activities are included with Garden admission. The Summer Resident Discount, \$12 for adults and \$3 for children, is available to residents of Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties with qualifying identification.

### **Tasting the Tropics Schedule**

- 9 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Asia
- 9:30 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Brazil
- 9:30 a.m. Demonstration: Cutting Open a Jackfruit
- 10 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of the Caribbean
- 10:30 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Asia
- 10:30 a.m. Demonstration: Coconut Processing
- 11 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Brazil
- 11:30 a.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of the Caribbean
- 11:30 a.m. Demonstration: Go Bananas for Bananas
- 12 p.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Asia
- 12:30 p.m. Guided Tour: Fruits of Brazil
- 12:30 p.m. Demonstration: Vining Vanilla

*Guided tours have limited capacity; sign up at the Smith Entry Prow upon arrival.*

[More on Tasting the Tropics](#)

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## About Naples Botanical Garden

Naples Botanical Garden is where plants and people thrive together. In addition to our 170-acre showcase for tropical plants, the Garden offers a uniquely beautiful, natural, and ever-changing experience to bring our diverse community together to enjoy companionship, refuge, learning, and celebration.

Summer hours of operation are 9 a.m. – 2 p.m., June 1 – Sept. 30. Members-only entry 8 – 9 a.m. daily. Visit [naplesgarden.org](http://naplesgarden.org) for details.

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