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

NAPLES, FL – June 21, 2024 – Delight in a bounty of tropical fruits at Naples Botanical Garden on July 6, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. At this extended-hour event, 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.

During Tasting the Tropics, guests may:

- Taste tropical fruits from 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. in Kapnick Hall

- Attend exclusive ticketed guided group tours to learn about tropical fruits from around the world (see details below)
- Watch live fruit demonstrations performed by expert Garden staff (see details below)
- See the Collier Fruit Growers Tropical Fruit Display from 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. by the Kapnick Hall Terrace.
- Attend W.O.N.D.E.R. family programming from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. on the Hoffman Lawn.
- Pick up some botanical knowledge at our Dig Deeper drop-in adult programming from 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. near the Berger Shop in the Garden entrance.
- Cool off with fresh gourmet *paletas* available for purchase from Taco Tummy —*while supplies last.*
- Fill up with a fresh, Garden-inspired menu and fruit-themed specials, available for purchase from Fogg Café. Featured specials: Pineapple Buzz Bars, Mango Agua Fresca, and Jackfruit Tacos.

Tasting the Tropics Tour Schedule

- **8:30 a.m.** Fruits of the Caribbean
- **9 a.m.** Fruits of Asia
- **9:30 a.m.** Fruits of Brazil
- **10 a.m.** Fruits of the Caribbean
- **10:30 a.m.** Fruits of Asia
- **11 a.m.** Fruits of Brazil
- **11:30 a.m.** Fruits of the Caribbean
- **12 p.m.** Fruits of Asia

Tours are \$10 for Members/\$15 for Non-Members. Guests may [register online](#) or at Ticketing.

Tasting the Tropics Demonstration Schedule

- **9:30 a.m.** Processing a Jackfruit
- **10:30 a.m.** Go Bananas for Bananas

- 11:30 a.m. Vining Vanilla
- 12:30 p.m. Processing a Coconut
- 1:30 p.m. Go Bananas for Bananas
- 2:30 p.m. Vining Vanilla
- 3:30 p.m. Processing a Coconut



Most Tasting the Tropics activities are included with Garden admission. The Summer Resident Discount, \$15 for adults and \$5 for children, is available to residents of Collier, Lee, and Charlotte counties with qualifying identification.

[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. Every Garden ticket or membership purchase supports Naples Botanical Garden's conservation efforts.

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](https://www.naplesgarden.org) for details.

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