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*It's summer Floridians—time to get out and play*

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**G**ET OUTSIDE, OPEN YOUR ARMS wide and scream it at the top of your lungs: "This land is my land!" Say it proudly as you reclaim, between winter season and school's-out, the wondrous sights, sounds and scents of Southwest Florida.

Folks travel for hours and days to get here. All you need do is step out the door for your personal favorite brand of staycation. Many local resorts, furthermore, make stayca-

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tioning doubly attractive with off-season and Florida-resident deals.

**SUNSET CENTRAL**

We have the west coast advantage here in Southwest Florida: We get to watch Ol' Sol's final curtain call each evening with the promise of a green flash and orange parfait afterglows. Three of our favorite vantage points

hail from the shores of Collier County, with restaurant and guest-room views from beach-level to soaring vistas that are dizzying with beauty.

**Naples Grande Beach Resort** lives up to its promise of grandeur with a side of sunset. Watch it from the Clam Pass Park beach, at the end of the resort's boardwalk through the mangroves. To see it from your accommodations, book on floors six and higher. The signature gulf view guestrooms, on floors 12 through 18, present the best views.

Closed through Dec. 14 following Hurricane Irma, Naples Grande emerged with a refreshed look in its garden villas and the new pan-Asian Mantra lobby restaurant.

Year-round, the resort offers Florida residents 20 percent off nightly rates, which translates into prices as low as \$167 per night from June through August, and \$135 in September.

