

# NAPLES ZOO

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## News Release

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## USPS Hosting National First-Day-of-Issue Stamp Ceremony at Naples Zoo

On October 4, 2006, the United States Postal System is hosting a national first-day-of-issue dedication ceremony to premiere a new stamp at Naples Zoo. This new stamp pane is from the *Nature of America* series and features the southern Florida ecosystem. *Southern Florida Wetland* is the eighth in an educational series designed to promote appreciation of the plant and animal communities in the United States. The series began in 1999 and only one stamp pane has been issued annually.

This national event for the *Southern Florida Wetland* commemorative souvenir stamp sheet will take place in the RainForest Grove special events area at Naples Zoo. A number of other local conservation organizations will be also involved.

A description of the wetland and a numbered key to the artwork appear on the back of the stamp pane, along with a corresponding list of common and scientific names for the 21 endangered or otherwise significant species listed below.

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| 1. Royal Palm           | 8. Halloween Pennant Dragonfly | 15. Zebra Longwing       |
| 2. Snail Kite           | 9. Cape Sable Seaside Sparrow  | 16. Eastern Indigo Snake |
| 3. American Crocodile   | 10. Wood Stork                 | 17. Bald Eagle           |
| 4. Everglades Mink      | 11. Roseate Spoonbill          | 18. Giant Wild Pine      |
| 5. Saw Grass            | 12. American Alligator         | 19. White Ibis           |
| 6. West Indian Mahogany | 13. Red Mangrove               | 20. Cowhorn Orchid       |
| 7. Great Egret          | 14. Florida Panther            | 21. Leafy Vanilla Orchid |

The USPS will make more information available on the event later in August. A high resolution, print quality image of the stamp pane is available via request to [tim@napleszoo.com](mailto:tim@napleszoo.com) or by calling 888.520.3756.

**When:** Wednesday, October 4, 2006

**Where:** Naples Zoo  
1590 Goodlette-Frank Road (across from Coastland Center mall)

