

Zoo Attracts Flying Zebras & Tigers

Learn How to Attract Them to Your Own Backyard

The event: While not as famous as their larger namesakes in the zoo, zebra longwing butterflies and tiger swallowtail butterflies can regularly be seen fluttering through the zoo. And on Saturday, April 2, 2005 Caribbean Gardens: The ZOO in Naples will offer two special times when guests can learn how they can welcome these native Floridians and other butterflies to their yards as well.

Local butterfly expert and artist Mike Malloy will do question and answer sessions with guests at the zoo's National Wildlife Federation® certified Backyard Wildlife Habitat®. Based on his own success in breeding and attracting butterflies, Malloy will share tips and insights with visitors about encouraging these delicate wonders into their own yards. Malloy will be speaking at 11:30 and 1:00.

The zoo is open daily from 9:30 to 5:30. Adult admission is \$15.95 and children ages 4 to 15 are \$9.95. Admission includes the zoo, botanical garden, Meet the Keeper Series, Alligator Bay Feeding, and the Primate Expedition Cruise as well as the zoo's two feature presentations: *Planet Predator* and *Serpents: Fangs & Fiction* which both feature live animals and exciting wildlife video. More at www.napleszoo.com.

When: Saturday, April 2, 2005 at 11:30 and 1 p.m.

Where: **Caribbean Gardens: The ZOO in Naples**
at 1590 Goodlette-Frank Road across from Coastland Center.

Why: Caribbean Gardens is a member of the national *Butterfly Conservation Initiative*. Butterfly watching is beginning to rival the popularity of bird watching. Yet for all the interest, many are still unaware that butterfly numbers and diversity are declining worldwide. In the United States alone, there are 23 endangered species. Butterfly gardening by creating a certified Backyard Wildlife Habitat® is one effective way practically anyone can help.

Photo: A photo of a zebra longwing butterfly in the zoo is available electronically by e-mailing tim@napleszoo.com

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