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Moving Your Pets To Paradise by Paws In Paradise SWFL

Welcome To Paradise!







🐾 Welcome to Your "Paws in Paradise" SWFL Relocation Guide

Hi, I'm Karen Fowler, a Southwest Florida Realtor® and lifelong animal lover. Through Paws in Paradise SWFL, I help pet lovers find homes and communities where every member of their family — even the furry ones — feels right at home.

Moving can be exciting, but it's also a big change — especially for pets. That's why I created this guide: to help make your move smooth, safe, and happy for you and your four-legged family members.

"Moving to sunny Southwest Florida — with its stunning beaches, vibrant communities, and endless warmth — is an exciting adventure! But for pet owners, the process requires an extra layer of planning. As your Go-To Pet-Friendly Realtor for the Marco Island, Naples, Bonita Springs, Estero, Fort Myers, Cape Coral, Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte areas, I understand that your furry, feathered, or scaled family members aren't just pets; they are critical members of your family. This comprehensive guide, 'Paws in Paradise Relocation Guide,' is designed to ease your relocation by tackling the two biggest challenges: securing a genuinely pet-friendly home and ensuring your pet is prepared for Florida's unique health, safety, and climate requirements. From navigating HOA pet restrictions and the legalities of Emotional Support Animals, to finding the best local dog parks and emergency vet care, we cover every step to ensure your entire family transitions smoothly and safely into your new piece of paradise."

Welcome to paradise — where palm trees sway, tails wag, and your next adventure begins!

Preparing For The Move!

A little planning goes a long way when it comes to moving with pets. Here is some information to help make the journey a little more stress-free for everyone.

Before You Move

Schedule a Vet visit

Make sure your pet's vaccines, prescriptions, and health records are up to date.

Update microchips and tags.

Add your new address and contact information.

Pack a "pet travel bag"

Include water, food, bowls, a leash, toys, a bed/blanket, litter and cleaning supplies.

Check travel requirements

Airlines, hotels, and rentals all have different pet policies - confirm ahead of time.

Keep routines as normal as possible

Feed, walk, and rest at familiar times to reduce anxiety.



Pro Tip: If your move involves flying, some airlines limit pet travel during hot months — book early and confirm breed-specific rules.



To SWFL Pet Relocation Timeline & Checklist

4-6 Weeks Before Moving Day

Task	SWFL Specific Details
Schedule Vet Visit & Health Check	Schedule a full exam and update all core vaccinations.
Obtain Necessary Documentation	Request copies of all medical records, a signed rabies certificate, and a written list of all medications and dosages.
Prepare for Rabies Requirement	Ensure your pet's rabies vaccination is current; this is non-negotiable for entry into Florida for dogs and cats.
Stock Up on Medications	Ask for a 30–90 day supply of prescriptions and written refill instructions.
Verify Local Pet Policies	Check county (Lee, Collier, Charlotte) requirements for dog licensing and local leash laws. Review HOA, condo, or rental pet policies for any breed, size, or number
Prepare Carriers/Crates	Start acclimating your pet to their crate or carrier, making it a comfortable place to rest.

10-30 Days Before Moving Day

Task	SWFL Specific Details
Get Official Health Certificate	Schedule a vet appointment to obtain an Official Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (OCVI), which must be issued by a licensed vet, typically within 30 days of travel.
Update ID & Microchip	Crucial: update your pet's microchip registration with your new Florida contact information. Order a new ID tag with your new phone number.
Start Prevention Transition	Begin year-round heartworm, flea, and tick prevention. Florida's mosquito season is long and intense.
Create Pet Emergency Kit	Assemble a hurricane-ready to-go-bag with 3–7 days of food/water, meds, medical records, and a recent photo.
Plan Pet-Friendly Evacuation	Identify pet-friendly hotels or shelters outside the potential hurricane impact area (June to November).

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Moving Day and Travel

Task	SWFL Specific Details
Secure Pets	Put pets in a quiet, closed room, or use a trusted sitter during loading and unloading.
Secure Travel	Transport your pet safely secured in your own vehicle (if possible) or follow all airline carrier rules. Never leave pets unattended in a parked vehicle.
Carry Key Documents	Keep printed and digital copies of the Rabies Certificate and OCVI easily accessible during travel.

First Week in Southwest Florida

Task	SWFL Specific Details
Establish Care with New Vet	Book a new-vet visit within 1–2 weeks to establish care, transfer records, and discuss local parasite preventatives.
Locate Emergency Vet	Find the nearest 24/7 veterinary clinic for emergencies. (Listed in this guide on Pages 5-6)
Get Local Pet License	Apply for your county pet license (Lee, Collier, or Charlotte) right away. This requires proof of rabies vaccination.
Pet-Proof the New Home	Secure fencing/gates, check for gaps, and pet-proof before allowing your pet free roam. Be mindful of nearby waterways/canals due to wildlife.
Rebuild Routine	Start with one calm room to allow your pet to decompress, then quickly rebuild their regular feeding, walking, and play schedules.



📍 Key Southwest Florida County Pet Licensing

All three Southwest Florida counties require dogs and cats over four months old to be vaccinated against rabies and licensed and is recommended but not required for ferrets as well. Licensing is mandatory for pets residing in the county for a certain period (e.g., 15 days in Collier County, 30 days in Lee County, 28 consecutive days in Charlotte County).

Here are the official links and key licensing details for the three main counties in Southwest Florida: Lee, Collier, and Charlotte.

County	Pet Licensing Link	Unaltered Pet 1-Year Fee (Approx.)	Altered (Spayed/Neutered) Pet 1-Year Fee (Approx.)
Lee County	https://www.leegov.com/animalservices/licensing	\$35.00	\$15.00
Collier County	https://www.collier.gov/Resident-Resources/Domestic-Animal-Services	\$100.00	\$15.00
Charlotte County	https://taxcollector.charlottecountyfl.gov/animal-licensing	\$35.00	\$17.00

Important Licensing Details:

Rabies Proof is Required: You must provide a copy of a current rabies certificate from a veterinarian to purchase a license.

Fees Encourage Sterilization: Fees for unaltered (non-spayed/neutered) pets are significantly higher in all three counties to promote pet sterilization.

Late Fees Apply: If you do not purchase a license within 30 days of the pet's rabies vaccination or moving in, late fees will be assessed. In Collier County, a license must be purchased within 15 days of moving in or obtaining a pet.



24 Hour Emergency Pet Hospitals

Collier County

Emergency Pet Hospital 6530 Dudley Drive Naples, FL 34105	(239) 263-8010	MON - THU 5pm - 8am FRI 5pm - MON 8am 24 hours on weekends and holidays
UrgentVet - Naples 851 Vanderbilt Beach Rd Naples, FL 34108	(239)306-8600	Open evenings, weekends and holidays

24 Hour Emergency Pet Hospitals

Charlotte County

Veterinary Emergency Clinic

17829 Murdock Circle Port Charlotte, FL 33948 (941) 255-5222

TUE - THU 5pm - 8am FRI - MON 24 Hours



24 Hour Emergency Pet Hospitals

Lee County

Fetch 3364 Woods Edge Circle Bonita Springs, FL 34134	(239) 260-4100	MON - FRI 7:30am Closed SAT & SUN
Southwest Florida Veterinary Specialists 28400 Old 41 Rd 1 Bonita Springs, FL 34135	(239) 992-8387	Open 7 days a week Including SAT & SUN
BluePearl Pet Hospital 9500 Marketplace Rd Fort Myers, FL 33912	(239) 947-0588	24 Hour Emergency Number (239) 947-0588
Fetch 3848 Colonial Blvd Fort Myers, FL 33966	(239) 308-9770	Open 24 Hours 7 days a week
UrgentVet - Fort Myers 6880 Daniels Pkwy, Ste 2 Fort Myers, FL 33912	(239) 722-2100	MON - FRI 3pm - 11pm SAT - SUN 10am - 8pm Open All Holidays



Pet-Friendly Hurricane Preparedness in SWFL

The most important rule is: If you evacuate, take your pets with you. Leaving them behind dramatically decreases their chance of survival.

1. The Pet Emergency "Go-Bag"

Assemble a disaster kit that can last for at least three days during an evacuation and ideally two weeks for sheltering-in-place at home.

Identification & Records:

Current ID tags on the collar with up-to-date contact info.

A current microchip with updated information is essential, as tags can fall off.

Photocopies of vaccination records, rabies certificate, and medical summaries in a waterproof container.

A recent photo of you with your pet to prove ownership if separated.

Food, Water, and Supplies:

A 3-day minimum supply of food and water in sealed containers.

Bowls, manual can opener (if needed), and a two-week supply of all medications.

- Litter, litter box, scoop, newspapers, plastic bags, and paper towels for sanitation.
- Leashes, harnesses, and comfort items like a blanket or toys.

Carrier/Crate:

- A sturdy, impact-resistant carrier or crate large enough for the pet to stand up and turn around.
- Label the carrier with your pet's name, your contact info, and medical details.

2. Evacuation and Shelter Planning

Public shelters are a last resort; your first plan should be a friend's house or pet-friendly lodging outside the evacuation zone.

- Know Your Zone: Locate your evacuation zone and route well before a storm.
- Pet-Friendly Lodging: Book hotels or motels that accept pets early, as they fill up quickly. Check resources like <u>Pets Welcome</u> for listings outside the projected strike area.
- County Pet Shelters (The Last Resort):
 - Lee County (Fort Myers/Cape Coral): Has a Mandatory Evacuation Pet Shelter (M.E.P.S.), often located at South Fort Myers High School. This is only for residents in mandatory evacuation areas. Owners must stay at the shelter with their pets.
 - Collier County (Naples/Marco Island): Your current County Rabies/License Tag automatically pre-registers your pet for the Pet-Friendly Shelters. Admission is first-come, first-served, and you must remain with your pet.
 - Charlotte County (Port Charlotte/Punta Gorda): All County-staffed shelters are generally petfriendly. Check local media for open locations, as capacity is limited.
- Shelter Requirements: Designated pet shelters typically only accept dogs and cats, require a current license/rabies tag, and mandate that the owner provide a sturdy crate and all supplies.

Special Considerations for Exotic and Large Animals

Public pet-friendly shelters in SWFL typically only accept common domestic pets (dogs and cats). Owners of exotic animals, birds, reptiles, or large animals (like horses or livestock) must arrange alternative sheltering plans well in advance.

1. Birds, Reptiles, and Small Mammals

These animals have highly specific environmental needs that must be maintained during an evacuation to avoid stress-induced illness.

Secure Transport: Transport birds in a secure travel cage and reptiles or small mammals (hamsters, rabbits) in secure carriers. Snakes can be temporarily transported in a pillowcase but require secure housing upon arrival.

Environment Control: Include essential cage accessories in your kit, such as:

Heating: A heating pad, hot water bottle, or battery-operated heat source for reptiles.

Misting: A plant mister to periodically moisten birds' feathers in warm weather.

Perches/Bedding: A perch for birds, and ample bedding for small mammals.

Food: Dry food (pellets for birds/reptiles) is preferred over fresh produce or live prey for travel. Birds should have a timed feeder to ensure they eat daily, as their metabolism is fast.

Labeling: Label the carrier with feeding instructions, medical needs, and the name/number of your exotic animal veterinarian.

Reptiles and amphibians may not be accepted at mainland shelters. You should confirm acceptance with any shelter or lodging before arrival.

2. Large Animals (Horses, Livestock, Pigs)

The key to protecting large animals is early evacuation and thorough preparation.

Evacuation: If you are in a storm-surge area or floodplain, a precautionary evacuation is strongly advised. Heavy traffic and high winds make trailer transport unsafe once winds reach 40 mph.

Shelter-in-Place: If you cannot evacuate:

The safest place is a large pasture with high ground to avoid post-storm flooding.

DO NOT leave large animals in barns, as collapsing structures are a leading cause of death.

Identification: Permanently label animals with ID tags, a non-toxic grease pencil, or spray paint with your phone number. Halter all horses before the storm hits.

Kit: Your kit should include extra halters, leads, wire cutters, a two-week supply of feed in waterproof containers, and official documents (like Coggins tests for horses).



Pet-Friendly Lodging for Evacuation

The safest and most comfortable option is to find a hotel, friend or relative outside of the storm's projected path. Always call the specific hotel property directly to confirm their current pet policy and availability, especially during an emergency, as policies may be temporarily relaxed or strictly enforced.

1. Helpful Search Tools and Websites

These online resources specialize in finding pet-friendly accommodations and are invaluable during evacuation planning:

"Bring Fido" and the corresponding app are highly-rated resources that let you filter hotels by pet size (including large dogs) and whether they charge a pet fee.

Petswelcome.com lists hotels along the Gulf Coast of Florida and often includes details on pet fees and weight limits.

Major travel sites like Expedia and Booking.com allow filtering by 'pet-friendly' amenities.

2. Hotel Chains Known for Pet Policies

While policies can vary by individual location, the following chains often have pet-friendly rooms, making them good starting points for your search along I-75 evacuation routes (which head north towards Tampa/Orlando or west toward the Panhandle):

La Quinta by Wyndham: Many locations are pet-friendly and some reportedly allow up to two dogs per room with no security deposit or pet fee.

Motel 6: Generally known for welcoming dogs, with some locations allowing pets to stay free. Red Roof Inn: Most of their properties welcome pets, with many locations not charging a pet fee. Hilton Brands (Hampton Inn, Home2 Suites, Homewood Suites): Many Hilton-affiliated hotels, including those in Fort Myers along I-75, are pet-friendly, though pet fees may apply.

Extended Stay America: These hotels often have apartment-style accommodations and may be better for longer stays during an emergency.

Crucial Tip: When booking, ask about the hotel's specific pet policy regarding weight limits, number of pets allowed, and any non-refundable pet fees or deposits.



finding the Perfect Pet-Friendly Home

When it comes to buying or renting with pets, not all properties are created equal. Here are a few things to keep in mind:

- Fenced yards or screened lanais for safe outdoor time
- 🦮 Nearby walking trails, dog parks, or beaches
- Pet-friendly flooring like tile or vinyl
- Neighborhoods or HOAs with clear pet policies

As your Pet-Friendly Realtor®, I'll help you find homes and communities that welcome pets with open arms. From single-family homes with fenced yards to condos with pet-friendly amenities, we'll find the perfect match for your lifestyle and theirs.

Looking for a home where your pets can truly live their best life? I know just the place.



Settling Into Your New Home

The move is over — now it's time to help your pets feel at home in paradise.

Tips for a smooth transition:

Set up a familiar space with their bed, toys, and bowls fore they arrive.

- Stick to regular feeding and walking times.
- Introduce one room at a time so they don't feel overwhelmed.
- * Take it slow with outdoor time Southwest Florida heat can be intense.
- Be cautious near water; canals and ponds can have wildlife.
- Pro Tip: If the pavement is too hot for your hand, it's too hot for their paws! Schedule walks early or later in the day.



Legal Protections: Service Animals vs Emotional Support Animals

In Florida, the distinction between a pet, an Emotional Support Animal, and a Service Animal is governed by two different federal laws, which greatly impact a community's pet policy.

Feature	Service Animal (SA)	Emotional Support Animal (ESA)
Governing Law	Primarily the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)	Primarily the Fair Housing Act (FHA)
Function/Training	Individually trained to perform a specific task directly related to the owner's disability (e.g., guiding, alerting to seizures).	Provides therapeutic emotional support by its presence to alleviate symptoms of a disability, and no special training is required.
Housing Access	Required to be permitted as a reasonable accommodation, even in communities with strict "no-pet" or breed/size restrictions.	Required to be permitted as a reasonable accommodation, overriding pet fees, size, and breed restrictions.
Public Access	Guaranteed access to all public accommodations (stores, restaurants, transport).	Not guaranteed access to public spaces; restricted to pet-friendly venues and housing.
Documentation	Housing providers cannot request documentation of training or the disability itself.	Housing providers can request reliable documentation from a licensed healthcare practitioner to support the disability-related need.
Fees	Cannot be charged a pet fee, pet deposit, or pet rent.	Cannot be charged a pet fee, pet deposit, or pet rent.



Southwest Florida has many Pet-Friendly Communities. I have listed a few below.

Please go to my website to search for more options.

www.PawsInParadiseSWFL.com



Mavigating Pet-Friendly Home Communities

The number one challenge for pet owners buying in Southwest Florida is the Homeowners Association (HOA) or Condominium Association pet policies. While single-family home communities are generally less restrictive (often limiting to a two-pet maximum), condos and high-rises often have very strict rules.

Key Pet Policy Restrictions to Anticipate

When reviewing community documents, look out for the following common restrictions:

- Weight Limits: A very common restriction, with limits often set at 25 lbs to 50 lbs.
- Number of Pets: Most communities limit the number of pets to one or two per household.
- Breed Restrictions: Certain breeds (like Pit Bulls, Rottweilers, or German Shepherds) may be banned entirely due to insurance liability concerns.
- Pet Registration: HOAs may require you to register your pet, providing their name, breed, and size.

Pro Tip: Always confirm the current pet policy with the HOA/Property Manager directly, even if the listing says "pet-friendly," as online information can be outdated.

Important Note on Condos & High Rises:

Beach Area Condos: Condos directly on or near the beach in areas like Park Shore and The Moorings in Naples often have strict size limits or a complete no pets allowed policy.

Large Dogs: If you have a large dog, be aware that your options may be severely limited, especially in condos. You may need to focus exclusively on single-family home communities that allow large dogs.



Collier County - Naples

Product	Description
Bent Creek Preserve	Bent Creek Preserve is a gated North Naples community known for its beautiful lakes, modern homes, and resort-style amenities. Residents enjoy a clubhouse, fitness center, pool, tennis, pickleball, and easy access to shopping, dining, and top-rated schools. The community is great for pet lovers, with walkable streets, sidewalks, and plenty of outdoor space for daily strolls.
The Quarry	Discover The Quarry — where freedom meets luxury. Nestled on more than 800 acres of lakes and preserves, this gated North Naples neighborhood blends water-based fun (boating, jet skiing, lakeside sunsets) with top-tier amenities, a championship golf course and elegant home options. Perfect for the lifestyle-minded buyer.
The Vineyards	The Vineyards is a large, gated master-planned community offering a resort-style lifestyle amid lush landscaping and championship golf. The Vineyards Country Club has two 18-hole golf courses, a 70,000-square-foot clubhouse, tennis & pickleball facilities, a wellness center & spa, and expansive parks and trails. Conveniently located near I-75, shopping, dining and the beach, The Vineyards is designed for those who value both active living and comfortable luxury.
Isles of Collier Preserve	Discover The Isles of Collier Preserve — a gated, nature-inspired community just minutes from downtown Naples. Over half of its 2,400-acre site is preserved as lakes and habitat, connected by trails, bike paths and blue-ways for kayaking. Coastal-charm homes include villas, coach homes and single-family residences styled with classic Old Naples architecture. Resort-style amenities at The Isles Club feature a resort-pool, lap pool, fitness center, tennis/pickleball courts and the waterfront Overlook Bar & Grill. All within easy reach of shopping, dining, Gulf beaches and a lifestyle of freedom and outdoor living.

Collier County - Naples

Product	Description
Oakes Estates	Oakes Estates is a serene, non-gated community in Naples that combines spacious homes with a relaxed, family-friendly atmosphere. Lush landscaping, quiet streets, and open green spaces make it perfect for pets to roam and play safely. Residents enjoy a sense of privacy while still being close to top-rated schools, shopping, and dining — offering the best of peaceful living with convenient access to all that Naples has to offer.
Livingston Woods	Livingston Woods is a charming, pet-friendly community in Naples known for its tranquil streets and lush, natural surroundings. With spacious yards, walking paths, and plenty of green spaces, it's ideal for pets and families alike. Residents enjoy a peaceful, welcoming atmosphere while being just minutes from shopping, dining, and entertainment — making it a perfect balance of comfort, convenience, and small-town charm within Naples.
Naples Park	Naples Park is a relaxed, coastal community offering an affordable and welcoming lifestyle for pet owners. With quiet streets, nearby parks, and easy access to the beach, it's perfect for pets to enjoy outdoor time and families to soak up the Florida sunshine. Close to shopping, dining, and local attractions, Naples Park combines small-town charm with convenient access to all that Naples has to offer.
Island Walk	Island Walk is a vibrant, pet-friendly community in Naples that blends resort-style amenities with a friendly, neighborhood feel. Tree-lined streets, walking paths, and open green spaces make it perfect for pets and outdoor living. Residents enjoy pools, tennis courts, and social activities, all while being conveniently close to shopping, dining, and entertainment, all within its own Town Center — offering a balanced lifestyle of relaxation, recreation, and community.

Collier County - Naples

Product	Description
Village Walk	Village Walk of Naples is a lively, pet-friendly community offering a welcoming, active lifestyle. With scenic walking paths, well-maintained green spaces, and a variety of amenities like pools, fitness centers, and social clubs and its own Town Center and restaurant, it's perfect for pets and their owners to enjoy every day. Residents benefit from a strong sense of community while staying close to shopping, dining, and entertainment — combining convenience, comfort, and an engaging lifestyle in one location.
Golden Gate Estates	Golden Gate Estates offers spacious, rural-style living in a pet-friendly setting. With large lots, open spaces, and plenty of room for pets to roam, it's ideal for those who love privacy and a more natural, laid-back lifestyle. Residents enjoy a quiet, country-like atmosphere while still being within reach of shopping, dining, and everyday conveniences — perfect for families and pet owners seeking room to breathe in Naples.
Fiddler's Creek	Fiddler's Creek is one of Naples' most pet-friendly communities, offering a relaxed Southwest Florida lifestyle with plenty of space for pets to enjoy. Residents appreciate the walkable neighborhoods, lush landscaping, and easy access to nearby parks, groomers, veterinarians, and pet services. It's a perfect choice for homebuyers looking for a community that embraces pets and supports a comfortable, active lifestyle for the whole family.
Le Ciel (Park Shore High-rise)	Pet Lovers — Discover Le Ciel in Park Shore If you're searching for a Naples condo that welcomes your four-legged family members, Le Ciel should be on your radar. With most residences allowing up to two small dogs or cats (subject to a 25-lb weight limit), Le Ciel offers a comfortable, pet-friendly home base on the Gulf. Residents enjoy beachfront access, luxury amenities from a pool and spa to tennis courts and fitness center — plus the walkability and convenience of nearby shopping, dining, and waterfront strolls. For pet-owners seeking a refined Naples lifestyle without leaving their pets behind, Le Ciel offers a rare blend of elegance and animal-friendly living.

Collier County - Marco Island

Product	Description		
Marco Island	Marco Island — Pet-Friendly Island Living Marco Island isn't just about sugar-white sands and Gulf breezes. It also offers a welcoming lifestyle for pet owners who want a relaxed, community-oriented coastal home. While pets aren't allowed on most of the beaches, the island makes up for it with off-leash parks, leash-friendly walkways, and neighborhood living where pets are often welcome. For pet lovers searching for a vacation-home, seasonal retreat, or full- time residence, there are several condo communities on Marco Island — such as Chalet, Seawatch, Club Marco, and Commodore Club — that have been known to allow pets. These communities combine Florida waterfront living or island-style condo life with pet-friendly policies, making them great candidates for a "Paws in Paradise" move.		
Tigertail	Tigertail is one of Marco Island's most inviting coastal communities, known for its relaxed atmosphere, natural beauty, and easy access to the island's best outdoor adventures. This neighborhood sits near the stunning Tigertail Beach—famous for its white sand, tidal lagoon, and wildlife — making it a favorite for residents who enjoy an active, nature-focused lifestyle. For pet owners, Tigertail offers a welcoming environment with walkable streets, peaceful residential pockets, and plenty of places to enjoy outdoor time with your furry family members. While pets aren't allowed directly on Tigertail Beach, the nearby walking paths, neighborhood sidewalks, and community green spaces give you plenty of opportunities for daily exercise and enrichment. Many homes in Tigertail feature spacious yards, screened lanais, and lush tropical landscaping — ideal for pets who love to explore or lounge in the sun. And there are no weight limits or number of pets. With a mix of waterfront and inland homes, convenient access to shops and dining, and that signature Marco Island serenity, Tigertail is a wonderful option for anyone seeking a pet-friendly Florida lifestyle surrounded by natural beauty.		

Lee County - Bonita Springs

Product	Description
Bonita Bay	Bonita Bay is an upscale, pet-friendly community offering a perfect blend of luxury living and natural beauty. With scenic walking paths, lush green spaces, and access to golf courses and waterways, it's ideal for pets and their owners to enjoy the outdoors. Residents benefit from a full range of amenities, including pools, fitness centers, and social clubs, all while being close to shopping, dining, and entertainment — making it a premier choice for an active, pet-friendly lifestyle in Southwest Florida.
Bonita Beach	Bonita Beach is a relaxed, coastal community perfect for pet owners who love beachside living. With sandy shores, scenic walking paths, and plenty of outdoor spaces, pets and their owners can enjoy the Florida sunshine every day. Close to shopping, dining, and local attractions, Bonita Beach combines small-town charm with convenient access to everything Southwest Florida has to offer.
Bonita National Golf & CC	Bonita National Golf & Country Club is a vibrant, pet-friendly community that combines luxury living with an active lifestyle. Surrounded by lush fairways and scenic green spaces, it's perfect for pets and their owners who enjoy outdoor living. Residents have access to top-notch amenities, including golf, pools, fitness facilities, and social activities, all while being conveniently close to shopping, dining, and entertainment — offering the perfect balance of recreation, relaxation, and pet-friendly comfort.
Village Walk of Bonita Springs	Village Walk is a beautifully maintained, gated community known for its peaceful neighborhoods, scenic lakes, and resort-style amenities. It's very pet-friendly, with plenty of sidewalks, bridges, and shaded paths perfect for daily walks. Residents enjoy a vibrant, social atmosphere plus conveniences like a town center, café, and community activities—all just minutes from beaches, parks, and pet-friendly spots around Bonita Springs. A great choice for pet owners seeking a friendly, active, and stress-free lifestyle.

Lee County - Bonita Springs

Product	Description		
Hawthorn	Hawthorn is a welcoming, pet-friendly community that offers a relaxed, small-town feel with plenty of modern amenities. With walking paths, green spaces, and parks nearby, it's perfect for pets and their owners to enjoy the outdoors. Residents appreciate the serene atmosphere while being conveniently close to shopping, dining, and local attractions — providing a comfortable, convenient, and pet-friendly lifestyle in the heart of Bonita Springs.		
Hunters Ridge	Hunters Ridge is a private, low-density golf & country club community tucked into Southwest Florida's lush natural landscape. Residents live among winding streets, lakes, and fairways, with the option to join a championship 18-hole golf course, three golf simulators, and a full slate of recreation — including tennis, pickleball, bocce, and fitness. Despite its upscale feel, Hunters Ridge has a friendly, casual vibe and a strong social calendar, complete with club events, live entertainment, and dining at the elegant clubhouse or the more relaxed grill room.		
Palmira Golf & CC	Palmira Golf & Country Club is an elegant, gated golf community in Bonita Springs that offers a refined, active lifestyle for both residents and their pets. Set on lush grounds with rolling fairways, lakes, and natural landscaping, the community includes a private 27-hole championship golf course designed by Gordon Lewis, a lagoon-style pool, Olympic lap pool, fitness center, and a full slate of classes. Paddle, play, or walk your dog in the on-site dog park, giving your furry friend a dedicated space to roam in this resort-like setting.		
Barefoot Beach	Barefoot Beach in Bonita Springs offers an upscale yet relaxed coastal lifestyle with stunning Gulf views and quiet, walkable streets. While pets aren't permitted on the Preserve beach, the surrounding residential community is very pet-friendly, with plenty of shaded sidewalks and outdoor spaces for daily walks. Many homes feature spacious lanais and yards ideal for pets. For those seeking coastal luxury with convenient access to pet-friendly parks, dining, and outdoor activities, Barefoot Beach is a beautiful choice.		

Lee County - Cape Coral

Product	Description
Uptown at Liberty Park	Uptown at Liberty Park offers modern, low-maintenance living with a friendly neighborhood feel. This newer community is very pet-friendly, featuring walkable streets and easy access to nearby parks and green spaces. With stylish homes, convenient amenities, and a central Cape Coral location close to shops, dining, and everyday essentials, it's a great choice for pet owners looking for comfort, convenience, and a welcoming community vibe.
Palmetto Pines Country Club	Palmetto Pines is a well-established, gated community centered around a beautiful golf course and lush landscaping. Pets are welcome, and the neighborhood offers sidewalks, quiet streets, and green spaces perfect for daily walks. With its clubhouse, golf amenities, and a friendly, close-knit atmosphere, it's ideal for pet owners seeking an active, social, and relaxed Cape Coral lifestyle.
Yacht Club	The Yacht Club neighborhood offers a relaxed, waterfront lifestyle with easy access to canals, boating, and scenic walking paths. Pets are welcome, and residents enjoy quiet streets, green spaces, and nearby parks perfect for daily walks. With its marina, clubhouse, and community events, it's an ideal spot for pet owners who love an active, outdoor-oriented Cape Coral lifestyle.
Palaco Grande	Palaco Grande is a quiet, welcoming community with well-maintained streets and plenty of green spaces for pets to enjoy. Sidewalks and shaded areas make daily walks easy, while nearby parks, shops, and waterways offer convenience and outdoor fun. It's a great choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, family-friendly Cape Coral lifestyle.

Lee County - Cape Coral

Product	Description
Sandoval	Sandoval is a master-planned, gated community known for its scenic lakes, trails, and resort-style amenities. Pets are welcome, and residents enjoy sidewalks, green spaces, and plenty of outdoor areas for walks and play. With community pools, sports courts, and a friendly atmosphere, Sandoval is perfect for pet owners seeking an active, social, and safe Cape Coral lifestyle.
Four Mile Cove	Four Mile Cove offers a peaceful, waterfront lifestyle surrounded by canals and natural preserves. Pets are welcome, and the neighborhood features quiet streets and green spaces ideal for daily walks. Residents enjoy access to nearby parks, boating, and outdoor activities, making it a great choice for pet owners who love nature and a relaxed Cape Coral lifestyle.
Gator Circle	Gator Circle is a newer small, peaceful community with spacious lots and plenty of green areas for pets to enjoy. Sidewalks and calm streets make daily walks easy and safe, while nearby parks and waterways provide options for outdoor fun. It's an ideal choice for pet owners looking for a relaxed, low-key Cape Coral lifestyle.
Coral Oakes Golf & CC	Coral Oaks offers a peaceful, gated community centered around a championship golf course and lush landscaping. Pets are welcome, and the neighborhood provides sidewalks and green spaces for daily walks. With its golf amenities, clubhouse, and friendly atmosphere, it's a great choice for pet owners seeking an active, relaxed, and social Cape Coral lifestyle.
Cape Royal	Cape Royal is a gated, waterfront community with quiet streets, scenic canals, and plenty of green spaces for pets. Sidewalks and walking paths make daily strolls easy, and nearby parks and recreational areas provide outdoor fun for the whole family. It's an ideal choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, active, and scenic Cape Coral lifestyle.

Lee County - Fort Myers

Product	Description		
Paseo	Paseo is a gated, master-planned community known for its resort-style amenities, scenic lakes, and walking trails. Pets are welcome, and sidewalks, parks, and green spaces make daily walks easy and enjoyable. With pools, tennis courts, and a vibrant social atmosphere, Paseo is perfect for pet owners seeking an active, fun, and well-maintained Fort Myers lifestyle.		
Bridgetown/the Plantation	Bridgetown at Plantation is a quiet, welcoming neighborhood with well-maintained streets and green spaces perfect for pets. Sidewalks and nearby parks make daily walks easy, while the community's convenient location provides access to shops, dining, and recreation. It's a great choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, family-friendly Fort Myers lifestyle.		
Gateway	Gateway is a large, master-planned community with sidewalks, parks, and plenty of green spaces for pets to enjoy. The neighborhood offers a mix of single-family homes and amenities like walking trails, sports courts, and playgrounds. It's an ideal choice for pet owners seeking an active, safe, and family-friendly Fort Myers lifestyle.		
Pelican Preserve	Pelican Preserve is a vibrant, gated community with sidewalks, walking trails, and plenty of green spaces for pets. Residents enjoy resort-style amenities like pools, fitness centers, and social clubs, all within a friendly and welcoming environment. It's perfect for pet owners looking for an active, engaging, and safe Fort Myers lifestyle.		
Verandah	Verandah is a beautifully planned, gated community offering resort-style amenities and a vibrant lifestyle for residents of all ages. The neighborhood features scenic lakes, walking trails, and plenty of green spaces where pets can enjoy daily walks and outdoor play. Residents also have access to pools, fitness centers, tennis courts, and a variety of social clubs and activities, creating an active and engaging community. With its well-maintained streets, pet-friendly atmosphere, and convenient location near shopping, dining, and recreational options, Verandah is an ideal choice for pet owners seeking both luxury and a welcoming, family-oriented environment in Fort Myers.		

Lee County - Fort Myers

Product	Description
Colonial Country Club	Colonial Country Club is an attractive, gated golf community in Fort Myers that offers a highly desirable, resort-style lifestyle in a pet-friendly environment. New residents will find a community that generally allows pets in its mix of housing options, from condominiums to single-family homes, and features acres of natural preserves and walking trails perfect for daily walks with your dog. A key feature for pet owners is the inclusion of a dedicated dog park within the extensive on-site amenities.
Esplanade Lake Club	Esplanade Lake Club is an upscale, gated, resort-style community in Fort Myers, centered around the 352-acre Lake Como, which allows recreational boating and offers beautiful waterfront views. This community is pet-friendly and is particularly appealing to dog owners, as it features a dedicated dog park for off-leash exercise and socializing. The neighborhood is designed for an active lifestyle, boasting miles of walking and biking trails which are ideal for walking pets. Housing options include luxury single-family homes, villas, and condos. The community also offers numerous world-class amenities, including a lavish clubhouse, a resort-style pool, fitness center, Bahama Bar and Grille, and concierge services that may include pet assistance.
Buckingham	Buckingham is a historic, largely rural neighborhood in Fort Myers known for its spacious properties, giving it a more relaxed and open feel compared to high-density communities. The area is generally pet-friendly, offering various single-family homes and rental options where pets are often allowed (sometimes including large dogs and cats). A major asset for pet owners is the nearby Buckingham Community Park, which features Barkingham Park, a dedicated, fenced, off-leash dog park, as well as primitive trails for on-leash walking.
Fiddlesticks Country Club	Fiddlesticks Country Club is a prestigious, member-owned gated golf community in Fort Myers that is recognized as an extremely pet-friendly neighborhood. The community welcomes pets with "With Approval Pets" housing features and provides spacious green areas and tree-lined streets that are perfect for leisurely strolls with your four-legged companions. A major convenience for residents is the inclusion of a dog park within the on-site amenities for off-leash play. In addition to its pet amenities, residents must purchase a mandatory equity membership and enjoy two championship golf courses, a resort-style pool with a cabana, tennis, pickleball, and a state-of-the-art fitness center.

Charlote County - Punta Gorda

Product	Description
Babcock Ranch	Babcock Ranch is a forward-thinking, master-planned community known for its sustainability, scenic trails, and abundant green spaces. Pets are welcome, with sidewalks, parks, and walking paths perfect for daily exercise and outdoor fun. The community also offers lakes, recreational amenities, and a variety of social activities, making it an ideal choice for pet owners seeking an active, eco-conscious, and family-friendly lifestyle in Southwest Florida.
Charlotte Ranchettes	Charlotte Ranchettes offers large, estate-style lots in a quiet, rural setting, perfect for pets who love room to roam. Wideopen spaces, country roads, and green areas make daily walks and outdoor activities enjoyable for both pets and owners. This community is ideal for those seeking a relaxed, country lifestyle with plenty of space for pets to explore and play.
Punta Gorda Isles	Punta Gorda Isles is a charming, waterfront neighborhood with canals, boat access, and scenic streets perfect for walking pets. Sidewalks and green spaces make daily strolls enjoyable, and the community's friendly atmosphere adds to its appeal. It's an ideal choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, active lifestyle with waterfront views in Punta Gorda.
Burnt Store Village	Burnt Store Village is a quiet, well-established neighborhood featuring canals, waterfront homes, and plenty of green spaces for pets. Sidewalks and walking paths make daily strolls easy, and the community's peaceful streets create a relaxed, safe environment. It's perfect for pet owners seeking a laidback, active lifestyle with easy access to boating and outdoor recreation in Punta Gorda.
Willow at Punta Gorda	Willow is a welcoming, newer master-planned neighborhood with sidewalks, parks, and green spaces perfect for pets. Residents enjoy safe streets, walking paths, and nearby recreational areas, making daily strolls and outdoor activities easy. It's an ideal choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, family-friendly lifestyle in Punta Gorda.

Charlote County - Port Charlotte

Product	Description
South Gulf Cove	South Gulf Cove is a newer, scenic, waterfront community with canals, boat access, and quiet streets perfect for pets. Green spaces and sidewalks make daily walks easy, while the peaceful atmosphere provides a relaxed lifestyle. It's an excellent choice for pet owners seeking a waterfront, outdoor-oriented, and pet-friendly neighborhood in Port Charlotte.
Rivers Edge	Rivers Edge is a peaceful, waterfront neighborhood featuring scenic canals, quiet streets, and green spaces ideal for pets. Sidewalks and walking paths make daily strolls enjoyable, while the relaxed atmosphere creates a safe and welcoming environment. It's perfect for pet owners seeking a tranquil, outdoor-oriented lifestyle in Port Charlotte.
Hammocks	The Hammocks is a quiet, welcoming neighborhood with sidewalks, parks, and green spaces perfect for pets. Residents enjoy peaceful streets, nearby walking paths, and recreational areas, making daily walks and outdoor activities easy. It's an ideal choice for pet owners seeking a relaxed, family-friendly lifestyle in Port Charlotte.
Gulf Cove	Gulf Cove is a scenic, waterfront community with canals, boat access, and quiet streets perfect for pets. Green spaces and walking paths make daily strolls enjoyable, while the relaxed, friendly atmosphere creates a welcoming environment. It's an excellent choice for pet owners seeking an outdoor-oriented, waterfront lifestyle in Port Charlotte.
Oak Hollow	Oak Hollow is a peaceful, well-maintained community with sidewalks, green spaces, and quiet streets ideal for pets. Daily walks and outdoor activities are easy and enjoyable, and the friendly neighborhood atmosphere makes it a welcoming place for pet owners. It's perfect for those seeking a relaxed, family-oriented lifestyle in Port Charlotte.

Veterinary Offices			
	Collier County		
Animal Oasis Veterinary Hospital	(239) 431-7980	2700 Immokalee Rd, Ste 16 Naples	
The Animalife Veterinary Center (Mission Hills)	(239) 435-1222	7550 Mission Hills Dr, Ste 108 Naples	
The Animalife Veterinary Center (Pine Ridge)	(239) 513-1777	2171 Pine Ridge Rd, Ste B Naples	
The Animalife Veterinary Center (Eagle Creek)	(239) 778-9777	12660 Tamiami Trail E Naples	
Banfield Pet Hospital (Bayridge Plaza)	(239) 596-1221	7700 Trail Blvd Naples	
Banfield Pet Hospital (Tarpon Bay Plaza1)	(239) 596-8230	2415 Tarpon Bay Blvd	
Eastside Animal Clinic	(239) 774-6400	4493 Tamiami Trail E Naples	
Gulfshore Animal Hospital	(239) 262-3633	3560 Tamiami Trail N Naples	
Harborside Animal Clinic	(239) 774-3701	2662 Davis Blvd Naples	
Harmony Animal Hospital	(239) 384-9934	7211 Vanderbilt Beach Rd Naples	
Golden Gate Animal Clinic Inc	(239) 455-3139	1550 40 th Terrace SW Naples	
Olde Naples Animal Wellness Center	(239) 331-3345	349 14 th Ave S Naples	

Veterinary Offices		
Collier County - (Continued)		
Sabal Palm Animal Hospital	(239) 417-8338	8595 Collier Blvd Naples
Pebblebrooke Animal Hospital	(239) 354-4701	15205 Collier Blvd Naples
Marco Veterinary Hospital	(239) 394-2535	1842 San Marco Rd Marco Island

Veterinary Offices		
Lee County		
East West Veterinary Care Center	(239) 945-2800	3625 Del Prado Blvd S Cape Coral
Colonial Animal Hospital	(239) 541-0726	9321 6 Mile Cypress Pkwy, Ste 150 Fort Myers
Edison Park Animal Hospital	(239) 689-3525	2035 McGregor Blvd Fort Myers
Medical Centre of Lehigh Acress	(239) 303-2700	1303 Homestead Rd N Lehigh Acres



Veterinary Offices		
Charlotte County		
Collingswood Animal Hospital	(941) 625-7500	1419 Collingswood Blvd Port Charlotte
Groves Veterinary Clinic	(941) 391-5251	848 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte
New Hope Pet Hospital	(941) 764-4673	24901 Sandhill Blvd Punta Gorda
Punta Gorda Animal Hospital	(941) 639-8717	25120 Maron Ave Punta Gorda



Dog Beaches		
Lee County		
Bonita Springs Dog Park Bark N Play Park	(239) 992-2556	11071 E Terry Street Bonita Springs
Dog Beach	(239) 707-1874	14436 Bonita Beach Cway Bonita Springs
Lee County Parks and Recreation Dog Beach	(239) 229-0632	8800 Estero Blvd Fort Myers

Dog Beaches		
Charlotte County		
Port Charlotte Beach Park	(941) 627-1628	4500 Harbor Blvd Port Charlotte



Pet Groomers		
Collier County		
Love My Dog Resort & Spa	(239) 598-1200	875 106 th Ave N
Gulf Groomers	(760) 621-7192	4152 Tamiami Trail N
Diamond Dog Grooming	(239) 260-5847	2400 Immokalee Rd
Doodle's Pet Grooming	(239) 406-0298	3378 68 th Ave NE
Topcoat "N Tails Inc	(239) 262-2956	975 3 rd Ave N
Pet Paradise Naples	(239) 592-9663	2021 Pine Ridge Rd
Camp Bow Wow Naples	(239) 316-3983	3382 Mercantile Ave
Best Friends a la Petite	(239) 732-7755	4270 Tamiami Trail E



Pet Groomers		
Lee County		
Glamour Paws	(239) 225-9663	6810 Shoppes at Plantation Dr Bonita Springs
Country Pet Ranch	(239) 494-3322	11860 Red Hibiscus Dr Bonita Springs
Scenthound Bonita Springs	(239) 653-7700	24600 S Tamiami Trail Bonita Springs
Bonita Boarding Kennel and Pet Camp	(239) 992-6878	9240 Brookwood Ct Bonita Springs
Glamour Paws	(239) 225-9665	1715 Cape Coral Pkwy Cape Coral
Companion Pet Care	(239) 219-6942	4980 Royal Gulf Cir Fort Myers
Tender Care Pet Salon and Day Spa	(239) 220-1506	9250 College Pkwy Fort Myers
Barks & Bubbles Dog Grooming Spa	(239) 600-7539	15245 S Tamiami Trail Fort Myers



Pet Groomers			
	Charlotte County		
PetSmart	(941) 613-0100	19530 Cochran Blvd Port Charlotte	
Petco	(941) 255-2164	1808 S Tamiami Tril #A Port Charlotte	
Nina's Stylish Pets	(941) 235-8667	4300 Kings Hwy #206 Punta Gorda	
AnimaLuvrs	(941) 639-9990	10175 Tamiami Trail Punta Gorda	



Dog Friendly Restaurants Collier County - Naples 1514 Immokalee Rd Bone Hook Brewing Co (239) 631-8522 1209 3rd Street S Jane's Cafe On 3rd Street (239) 261-2253 845 12th Ave S The Dock at Crayton Cove (239) 263-9940 Island Gypsy Cafe (239) 970-5697 292 Capri Blvd 944 7th Ave N Lake Park Diner (239) 228-6351 Lake Park Diner 8856 Founders St (239) 529-1559 The Rooster Food & Drink (239) 228-5973 600 Goodlette Rd N M Waterfront Grille (239) 263-4421 4300 Gullf Shore Blvd N Wahoo's River bar & Grill 475 North Rd (239) 213-1441 The 239 Naples (239) 631-1902 9108 Strada Place



Dog Friendly Restaurants Collier County - Marco Island CJ's on the Bay (239) 389-4511 740 N Collier Blvd 760 N Collier Blvd Mango's Dockside bistro (239) 393-2433 1089 N Collier Blvd Marco Island Brewery (239) 970-0461 2 Shea's Salty Dog (239) 970-5363 599 S Collier Blvd LeeBe Fish (239) 389-0580 350 Royal Palm Dr The Speak Easy Marco (239) 970-2929 1106 N Collier Blvd Stonewalls 551 S Collier Blvd (239) 389-1995 Nacho Mama's (239) 389-2222 599 S Collier Blvd Crabby Lady Goodland (239) 235-7933 123 Bayshore Way 205 Harbor Place Little Bar Restaurant (239) 394-5663



Dog Friendly Restaurants

Lee County - Bonita Springs

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The Fish House Restaurant	(239) 495-5770	4685 Bonita Beach Rd
Doc's Beach House	(239) 992-6444	27908 Hickory Blvd
Lake House Bar & Grill	(239) 948-4400	3401 Bay Commons Dr
Tigress Restaurant and Rooftop Bar	(239) 423-3199	12155 Tamiami Trail N
The Other Side Bistro	(239) 992-7433	24630 US Highway 41
Doug's Seafood	(239) 319-5702	3411 Bonita Beach Rd
Sugarshack Downtown	(239) 301-4321	27421 Old 41
The Bohemian Restaurant	(239) 451-9619	27975 Old 41 Rd
Chubby Mermaid Brewing Co	(239) 221-2972	28292 Industrial Rd
Canary Club	(239) 776-8065	10610 Founders Way



Dog Friendly Restaurants Lee County - Estero 10191 Estero Town Oak & Stone (239) 217-1820 Commons Place **Teas Roadhouse** (239) 256-2290 3005 Terracap Way 10151 Estero Town Chicken Salad Chick (239) 790-7108 Commons Place Tommy Bahama Marlin Bar (239) 947-2203 23150 Fashon Dr 20321 Grande Oak Bahia Bowls Estero (239) 249-6968 Shoppes Blvd South Fork Grille (239) 536-8007 23161 Village Shops Way 8017 Plaza Del Lago Dr, Rodizio Grill (239) 498-0018 Ste 101 The Cheesecake Factory (239) 488-6986 23106 Fashon Dr 10171 Estero Town Crisp and Green (239) 676-5164 Commons Place 21253 Stoneybrook Golf Duffy's Sports Grill (239) 301-0944 Blvd



Dog Friendly Restaurants		
Lee County - Cape Coral		
Rusty's Raw Bar & Grill	(239) 360-8154	4631 SE 10 th Pl
Perk & Brew	(239) 542-6080	1021 Cape Coral Pkwy AE
Rumrunners	(239) 790-5786	5848 Cape Harbour Dr
Back Streets Sports Bar	(239) 945-7555	915 SE 47 th Terrace



Dog Friendly Restaurants Lee County - Fort Myers 10 Twenty Five (239) 208-6903 33 Patio de Leon (239) 233-8837 714 Fishermans Wharf Dixie Fish Company Ford's Garage (239) 332-3673 2207 First St Deep Lagoon Seafood and (239) 689-5474 14040 McGregory Blvd Oyster House 10080 Daniels Interstate (239) 768-3541 Fat Katz Sports Bistro Ct 4480 Fowler St Florida Boy Burger Co (239) 245-7145 Wicked Pub (239) 362-0344 4391 Colonial Blvd 15501 Old McGregor Cape Cod Fish Co (239) 313-6462 Blvd Bruno's of Brooklyn (239) 278-0211 2149 First St Doc Ford's Rum Bar & Grille 708 Fishermans Wharf (239) 765-9660



Dog Friendly Restaurants			
Charlotte County - Port Charlotte			
The Twisted Fork (941) 235-3675 2208 El Jobean Rd			
Gatorz Bar and Grill	(941) 625-5000	3816 S Tamiami Trail	
Wings and Rings	(941) 235-9464	1020 El Jobean Rd	
Captain Crab Seafood	(941) 625-6888	2746 S Tamiami Trail	

Dog Friendly Restaurants			
Charlotte County - Punta Gorda			
Village Brewhouse (941) 417-8764 1200 W Retta Esplanade G			
The Lakehouse Kitchen & Bar	(239) 567-7913	42860 Crescent Loop	
Riviera Bar and Grill	(941) 639-2633	5500 Deltona Dr	
M'Xuma Tacos - Mexican Grill	(239) 543-1929	42091 Cypress Pkwy	



Pet Stores Collier County 2001 9th St N Pet Supermarket (239) 580-6004 **Naples** 9985 Business Cir N #10 (239) 304-1500 Pet Supermarket **Naples** 2220 Logan Blvd N #809 Pet Supermarket (239) 216-4276 **Naples** 2255 Pine Ridge Rd PetSmart (239) 598-9889 Naples 2415 Tarpon bay Blvd #2 PetSmart (239) 249-5278 **Naples** 13100 Tamiami Trail E (239) 207-3639 PetSmart Naples 6424 Naples Blvd #401 Petco (239) 254-0263 **Naples** 759 12th Ave S (239) 631-8122 Pws Pet Boutique **Naples** Wholesome Hound 198 Tamiami Trail N (239) 228-5282 Natural Pet Market Naples 1000 Immokalee Rd Petland (239) 603-0550 **Naples** 810 Bald Eagle Dr Critter Cafe (239) 389-8488 Marco Island



Pet Stores		
	Lee County	
Pet Supermarket	(239) 931-7194	7070 College Pkwy Fort Myers
Pet Supermarket	(239) 242-2188	1338 Del Prado Blvd S #101 Cape Coral
PetSmart	(239) 948-3581	8006 Mediterranean Dr Estero
PetSmart	(239) 274-0363	9371 Ben C Pratt Pkwy Fort Myers
PetSmart	(239) 277-9890	5013 S Cleveland Ave Fort Myers
PetSmart	(239) 242-0141	1819 NE Pine Island Rd Cape Coral
Petco	(239) 432-2869	10020 Gulf Center Dr Fort Myers
Petco	(239) 466-3737	13741 s Tamiami Trail #2 Fort Myers
Petco	(239) 938-0201	9380 Dynasty Dr Fort Myers
Pet Kingdom	(239) 939-3600	4650 S Cleveland Ave Fort Myers
Pet Supplies Plus	(239) 208-3151	15880 San Carlos Blvd Fort Myers
Petland	(239) 232-3770	7091 College Pkwy Fort Myers

Pet Stores		
Charlotte County		
Pet Supermarket	(754) 202-2562	42081 Cypress Pkwy Punta Gorda
Pet Supermarket	(941) 637-2656	3941 Tamiami trail N #3125 Punta Gorda
Pet Supermarket	(941) 235-0804	4265 Tamiami Trail #143 Port Charlotte
Pet Supermarket	(941) 889-6565	23951 Peachland Blvd Port Charlotte
PetSmart	(941) 613-0100	19530 Cochran Blvd Port Charlotte
Petco	(941) 255-2164	1808 Tamiami Trail, Ste A Port Charlotte
Pet Supplies Plus	(941) 764-3493	1960 Kings Hwy Port Charlotte
C N D Pet Boutique	(941) 500-2406	2751 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte
Waggles	(941) 249-8851	2686 Tamiami Trail Port Charlotte
Healthy Pet Products FL	(941) 883-2627	18700 Veterans Blvd Port Charlotte



Pet Friendly Dog Parks Collier County 1515 Golden Gate Pkwy Freedom Park (239) 252-4062 **Naples** 50 Riverside Cir Baker Park (239) 213-3020 **Naples** 1600 Fleischmann Blvd Naples Dog Park (239) 213-3020 **Naples** 1895 Veterans Park Dr Rover Run Dog Park (239) 252-4682 **Naples** 3300 Santa Barbara Blvd Golden Gate Paws Park (239) 252-6128 Naples 8962 Collier Blvd Serenity Walk Park (239) 252-4000 **Naples** 1361 Andalusia Ter (239) 642-0575 Canine Cove Dog Park Marco Island Karen Fowler Paws In Paradise SWFL - Welcome!



Pet Friendly Dog Parks Lee County Bonita Springs Dog Park 11071 E Terry St (239) 992-2556 Bark N Play Park **Bonita Springs** 14436 Bonita Beach Causeway Dog Beach (239) 707-1874 **Bonita Springs** 5600 Rose Garden Rd (239) 549-7632 Rotary Park Cape Coral 9200 Corkscrew Palms Blvd K-9 Corral at Estero Park (239) 498-0415 Estero 9800 Buckingham Rd Buckingham Dog Park (239) 690-5030 Fort Myers 1297 Parkview Ct Judd Park (239) 533-7200 Fort Myers Wa-Ke Hatchee 16760 Bass Rd (239) 432-2154 **Recreation Facility** Fort Myers Paws 4 Duty 55 Homestead Rd S (239) 369-1521 Veterans Park & Rec Center Lehigh Acres



Pet Friendly Dog Parks Charlotte County 23157 Bayshore Rd (941) 627-1628 Bayshore Live Oak Park Port Charlotte 4333 Kerrigan Cir (941) 681-3742 Randy Spence Park Port Charlotte 18235 Avon Ave Ollie's Pond Park (941) 627-1074 Port Charlotte 14598 San Domingo Blvd San Domingo Park (941) 681-3742 Port Charlotte 4500 Harbor Blvd Port Charlotte Beach Park (941) 627-1628 Port Charlotte South Country 670 Cooper St (941) 505-8688 Regional Park Punta Gorda 27420 Voyageur Dr (941) 681-3742 Harbour Heights Park Punta Gorda Hounds of Henry Street 557 W Henry St (941) 575-5050 Dog Park Punta Gorda



Shelters and Adoptions		
Collier County		
Patty Baker Humane Society Main Shelter	(239) 643-1555	370 Airport Pulling Rd N Naples
Patty Baker Humane Society Oaks Campus	(239) 643-1555	6551 Bur Oaks Ln Naples
Patty Baker Humane Society Von Arx Adoption Center	(239) 643-1555	2400 Immokalee Rd Naples
Collier County Domestic Animal Shelter (DAS)	(239) 252-7387	7610 Davis Blvd Naples
SNIP Collier	(239) 778-8572	7795 Davis Blvd Naples
Kowlachobee Animal Preserve	(239) 352-5387	2861 4 th Ave SE Naples
Cat Care Clinic of Naples	(239) 643-4090	4735 Santa Barbara Blvd Naples
Volunteer Services For Animals	(239) 290-6274	6017 Pine Ridge Rd Naples

To see more information about DAS and SNIP Collier; what dogs and cats are available for adoption and how to start the adoption process, local events, how to donate and volunteer, go to my website at www.PawsInParadiseSWFL.com.



Shelters and Adoptions			
	Lee County		
Animal Refuge Center	(239) 731-3535	18011 Old Bayshore Rd North Fort Myers	
Guardians of FL Animal Rescue	(239) 720-7479	13931 Sophomore Ln Fort Myers	
Gulf Coast Humane Society	(239) 332-0364	2010 Arcadia St Fort Myers	
Lee County Domestic Animal Services	(239) 533-7387	5600 Banner Dr Fort Myers	
Cape Coral Animal Shelter	(239) 573-2002	325 SW 2 nd Ave Cape Coral	
Forever Pets, Inc.	(239) 839-7011	110 Pondella Rd North Fort Myers	
Bailey's Way Rescue, Inc.	(239) 462-3310	13300 S Cleveland Ave Fort Myers	
Fur and Tails Animal Rescue	(239) 404-6539	17070 Kentara Way Fort Myers	

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Shelters and Adoptions			
Charlotte County			
Animal Welfare League (941) 625-6720 3519 Drance St Port Charlotte			



🐾 Finding Pet-Friendly Hotels & Rentals in SW Florida

Moving to Southwest Florida with your furry friend? Staying somewhere that welcomes pets can make all the difference. Luckily, there are several highly-rated apps and websites that make finding pet-friendly lodging simple — and let you filter for pet size, number of pets, and even fees.

Top Pet-Friendly Travel Apps & Websites

- BringFido App Lets you search for hotels, vacation rentals, campgrounds, and more that
 accept pets. Filter by pet size, number of pets, and pet fees. Includes a "Pet Friendly Guarantee,"
 meaning the property will honor its pet policy if booked through the app.
- Pet Friendly App Search vacation rentals, condos, and hotels that allow pets. Great for comparing property types and finding lodging that fits your needs.
- BarkHappy.com Beyond lodging, it helps you find dog-friendly events, meetups, and restaurants. Perfect for socializing your pet in a new community.
- DogPack DogPack is the essential, all-in-one companion app for the modern pet owner, combining a global social network with a powerful utility map. It allows users to instantly find over 100,000 dog-friendly locations, including parks, trails, and businesses, while utilizing realtime check-ins to see who is currently playing nearby. Beyond discovery, DogPack fosters community through social feeds and local chat groups, offers instant Lost Dog Alerts, and provides a platform to easily find and book trusted pet care services like sitters and groomers, ensuring a safe and connected experience for every adventure with your dog.
- General Booking Platforms (Booking.com, Airbnb, etc.) Most major hotel and rental platforms now offer "pets allowed" filters. Always double-check the property's pet policies and fees before booking.



Tips for Traveling with Pets

Check pet fees and restrictions before booking. Some properties limit the number, size, or breed of pets. Bring vaccination records in case the property requests them. Plan ahead: Popular destinations in SW Florida can fill up quickly, especially during peak season.

By using these apps and websites, you can ensure your move — or short-term stay — in Southwest Florida is comfortable and stress-free for your entire family, pets included!





Whether you're relocating across town or across the country, I'd love to help make your move as easy as possible — for both you and your pets. Together, we'll find a home that fits your lifestyle, your needs, and your furry family

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- ✓ Vet visit completed
- **✓** Microchip & ID updated
- Travel bag packed
- ✓ Pet-friendly stops confirmed
- ✓ Favorite toys & blanket ready
- ✓ New home pet-proofed
- ✓ First-day safe space set up







