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Florida Naturist Association

GUIDEBOOK TO THE NATURIST BEACH

FOURTH EDITION



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WHAT IS NATURISM?

- becoming one with Nature and nature's God as the sun warms your body and the water caresses your skin
- a feeling of liberation as you shed your status, pretensions and fears along with your clothes, and learn to 'be at home in your own skin'
- nudity as freedom, not as exhibitionism, voyeurism or exploitation
- a return to Eden in the company of family and friends

Haulover's naturist beach is clothing-optional. All are welcome so long as they respect others and our natural beach environment. You can take your own time to adjust. Of course it isn't polite to stare, but if you look around you'll see a wide range of shapes and ages.

Whether you choose a naturist beach, a nudist resort affiliated with The Naturist Society, the American Association for Nude Recreation, the International Naturist Federation, or a nude cruise, experience the joy of what it's like to....

Go Barefoot All Over! (The Naturist Society)

Call Ocean Rescue at **736-336-6990** to reserve a beach wheelchair

ADA access



In cooperation with Miami Dade Ocean Rescue and B.E.A.C.H.E.S. Foundation and its donors, visitors with disabilities may reserve the free use of one of several donated beach wheelchairs for their Haulover Beach Park visit.

Haulover Park Rules & Naturist Etiquette

No sexual activity on the beach. Illegal behavior is not tolerated. Public lewd activity is a violation of Florida Statutes 800.03 and/or 800.04, and may result in up to 15 years imprisonment on conviction.

Stay out of dunes and environmentally sensitive areas.

Obey surf condition warnings and lifeguard instructions.

Keep the area clean. Take out more trash than you brought in. Don't use the beach as an ashtray.

Follow park regulations. NO GLASS BOTTLES. No pets on the beach.

Avoid offending others. Dress before leaving marked clothing-optional areas.

Follow parking regulations, especially regarding handicapped spaces.

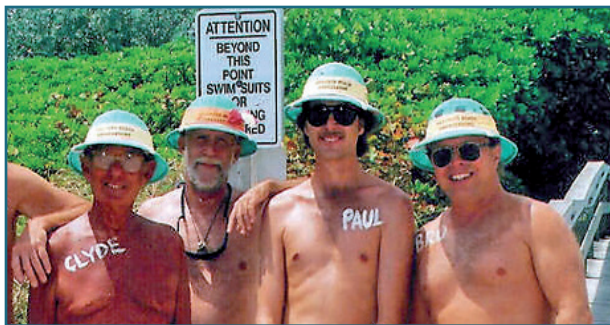
Inform others of proper etiquette. A few simple rules keep the beach safe and fun for all visitors.

Keep radios low, or use earphones.

Ask permission before taking photos.

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Our Haulover Beach Ambassadors may be identified by their turquoise safari hats



For immediate police or medical emergencies:
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Haulover Beach Park office
305-947-3525

Miami-Dade Police
305-476-5423

Our
Beach Ambassadors
ask that you

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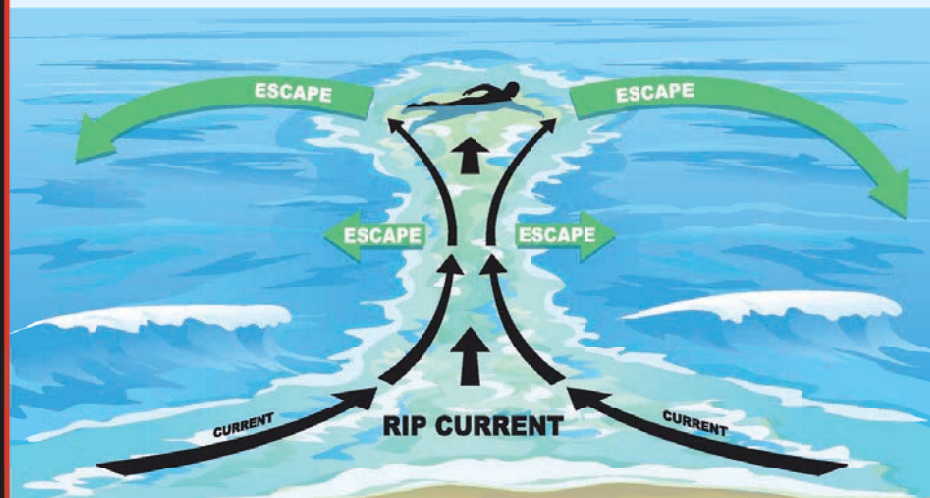
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illegal or improper
behavior to the SFFB
Beach Ambassadors or
the Lifeguards.

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RIP CURRENTS

Break the Grip of the Rip!



Rip currents are powerful currents of water moving away from shore. They can sweep even the strongest swimmer out to sea.

IF CAUGHT IN A RIP CURRENT

- ◆ Don't fight the current
- ◆ Swim out of the current, then to shore
- ◆ If you can't escape, float or tread water
- ◆ If you need help, call or wave for assistance

SAFETY

- ◆ Know how to swim
- ◆ Never swim alone
- ◆ If in doubt, don't go out

More information about rip currents can be found at the following web sites:

www.ripcurrents.noaa.gov
www.usla.org



BEACH WARNING FLAGS

BANDERAS DE ADVERTENCIA EN LA PLAYA



Water Closed to Public

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High Hazard

High Surf and/or Strong Currents

Peligro Alto, Resaca Alta y/o Corrientes Fuertes



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Peligro Medio, Resaca Moderada y/o Corrientes Fuertes



Low Hazard

Calm Conditions, Exercise Caution

Peligro Bajo, Condiciones Calmas, Tenga Cuidado



Dangerous Marine Life

Vida Marina Peligrosa

Absence of Flags Does Not Assure Safe Waters

La Ausencia de Banderas No Asegura Aguas Seguras



The founding of Haulover's naturist beach – 1991

South Florida Free Beaches/Florida Naturist Association, Inc. is an advocate that a fair share of public lands be set aside for use by skinny-dippers and nude sun-bathers in Florida. SFFB established Haulover's clothing-optional section in 1991, subsequently fighting for lifeguards, parking, and county recognition.

SFFB has since 1994 maintained a Tallahassee lobbyist to represent our interests, and has opposed numerous bills that would have definitively criminalized social nudity in Florida and jeopardized Haulover's clothing-optional status.

SFFB is a member of The Naturist Society's Naturist Network, and works cooperatively with the Naturist Action Committee and Naturist Education Foundation in furtherance of activist and educational goals.

SFFB also assists other naturist groups in their goals to protect existing naturist beaches and to establish new sites; it has also provided advice and legal support to scores of individuals wrongfully arrested for mere nudity while skinny-dipping at remote locations or even sunbathing in their own back yards.

B.E.A.C.H.E.S. Foundation, SFFB's 501 (c) (3) adjunct, advocates for Haulover improvements and has implemented beachside showers, tiki huts, beach wheel-chairs and beach events. A current project is improved beach access for persons with disabilities. For more information: www.beachesfoundation.org

If you share our goals, we need your support! Review our proven track record of naturist activism on pages 18 & 19. Consider becoming a sponsor or donor to further the ongoing mission. See page 7 for an application, or join online at our website. *Subscribe to our free email newsletter.*

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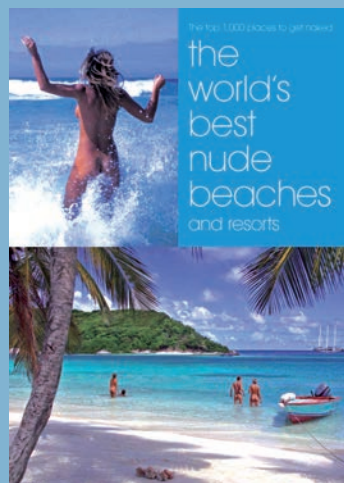
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details at: www.sffb.com/sponsors



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THE NATURIST EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Informing North America about Naturism

The Naturist Education Foundation (NEF) is the nonprofit informational and educational adjunct to The Naturist Society, which grew and developed from the Free Beach movement in North America. Since 1995, the volunteer board members of NEF and their associates have been dedicated to improving the awareness of naturism, its history, and its values to:

- naturist beach users
- legislators
- business leaders
- journalists
- academic scholars
- college communities

*Late naturist
activist and
ambassador
Toni Egbert*

*Gunnison Beach
New Jersey*



NEF offers a Speakers Bureau providing informed and articulate naturist presenters for use free of charge in college classrooms, legislative committees, and business luncheons.

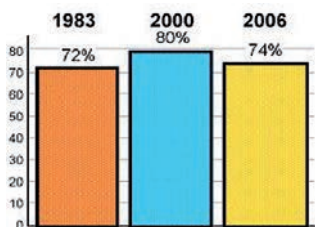
NEF has produced informative books, pamphlets, videos, and other materials to help individual naturists and beach groups explain who skinny-dippers are, what they believe in, and what they hope for in society.

NEF provides the Toni Egbert Naturist Law Library, an online collection of legal references and documents pertaining to social nudity. Topics include public nudity, offense, community standards, and family law.

NEF commissions national and statewide polls to verify empirically North America's level of tolerance towards non-sexualized public nudity.



*national and statewide polls document
American attitudes on nude recreation*



Question: "Do you believe that people who enjoy nude sunbathing should be able to do so without interference from local officials as long as they do so at a beach that is accepted for that purpose?"

NEF national polls



NEF members queue for NEF-funded performance of the Free Beach Trilogy play at 2003 Seattle Fringe Festival.

Your contributions allow NEF to further the understanding and acceptance of naturism. For more information, or to contribute to NEF's work, see naturisteducation.org, or write NEF, PO Box 132, Oshkosh WI 54903.

NAC Takes Action!

As the political adjunct of The Nativist Society, the Nativist Action Committee works to advance and defend nativist freedoms across North America. Below are sample NAC success stories. For more see nativistaction.org.

OREGON A lawsuit filed by private property owners against the State of Oregon sought to stop nudity at Collins Beach on Sauvie Island. NAC successfully intervened in court and Collins remains clothing-optional.

VERMONT The Ledges, a popular and traditional inland skinny-dipping site was threatened by a developer who tried to convince the town of Wilmington to ban nudity at the reservoir. It almost worked, but NAC used every page of the activist handbook and preserved The Ledges.

CALIFORNIA Nude hiking in Angeles National Forest? A hiker was charged and a NAC attorney defended him. The result is a letter from the Los Angeles County Sheriff, declaring that nudity in Angeles National Forest is not illegal.



NAC Area Rep Bob Neinast addresses an Ohio Senate Committee

FLORIDA State lawmakers introduced seven antinudity bills in a single session. Working together, NAC and South Florida Free Beaches stopped every one of them.

KENTUCKY State legislators proposed a measure that would have criminalized nudity in the locker room at a gym or spa, nudity in the changing room, nudity at a public - or private - swimming pool, exposure of genitals at a urinal in a public restroom, and nudity at home. NAC opposed the legislation and killed it.

OHIO NAC opposed a proposed state law, a portion of which would have criminalized nudity in your own home in the presence of your own children. Unable to stop the entire bill, NAC offered substitute language that removed the threat from home nativists.

WASHINGTON NAC organized a series of nude swims at two Seattle Parks city pools to establish that nativists can work with local authorities successfully to use municipal facilities clothes-free.

FLORIDA NAC brokered a deal with the National Park Service at Canaveral National Seashore that established skinny-dipping at a portion of Apollo Beach in Volusia County as a historically recognized use of the beach. (*See the beach sign at Apollo on page 6.*)

CALIFORNIA NAC petitioned the State of California to designate portions of State Parks throughout the state for official clothing-optional use.

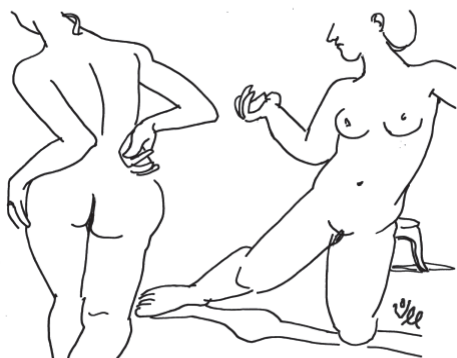
NEW YORK Faced with a proposed new law that would have directly impacted nativist families with children at New York nativist resorts, NAC re-crafted the language for both the Senate and Assembly versions of the legislation, so that it would be rendered benign for nativists. The Senate version of the bill with NAC's substitute wording was passed into law.

A SPECIAL FREEDOM

Women & Naturism

As you guys probably know, women are a hard sell when it comes to disrobing in public – even for an innocent few hours of skinny-dipping and sunbathing at the beach. Understanding the reasons why may help you change your “sales pitch” when it comes to inviting women friends to Haulover.

Mothers teach their children to carefully behave in ways that will protect them from harm. “Nice” girls aren’t supposed to let strangers see their “private” parts under any circumstances: they’re told the consequence might be rape, or at the very least the Wrath of God. Society’s attitude toward female nudity is that it is inherently offensive, indecent and immoral – except alone with one’s spouse.



Then again, female bodies have been so objectified that unless a woman’s breasts look like those that the media convinces us are beautiful, she believes she isn’t physically attractive. Only “model” body types are offered as beautiful; others aren’t shown, or are portrayed as repulsive or ugly. This subconsciously links a woman’s self-esteem to possessing a “perfect” body.

If you’d like to invite a woman for a trip to Haulover, be prepared to be patient, understanding and listen, listen, listen. Don’t just dismiss her fears. Respond in a way that shows you understand and do your best to allay those fears. If you’re to succeed, you’ll have to win her trust. She’ll have to believe her fears are unfounded.

The Big Three

Most women’s concerns fall into three categories. Address them sincerely and in a positive way.

- **Safety** – Many women are leery about being nude at a beach, even when accompanied by a trusted male companion, and may have difficulty imagining being nude among male strangers without risk. Haulover lifeguards and county and park police patrol the beach regularly, and there are also Beach Ambassadors that will assist in handling any situation.
- **Harassment** – Women can very easily develop a fondness for not wearing clothes, and at the same time be not one bit tolerant of sexually harassing behavior. Most naturist men already understand that harassment (including gawking) is wrong. But a few people need reminders. Don’t be afraid to speak up and report troublemakers. Inconsiderate boorish people can take the fun out of any kind of social event.

- Enforced nudity – The beach is clothing-optional and nudity is not mandatory. Some people are never nude and some people are always nude. Everyone gets to decide what they want to wear to be comfortable. So don't push the issue with women friends. It's that simple.

The Reward

The shedding of clothes can have the effect of freeing women from their sense of shame, inadequacy and fear that is deeply ingrained and felt, both consciously and unconsciously. A special sense of freedom is experienced when this happens. Free from vulnerability, one feels empowered. Freedom from being judged for an "imperfect" body feeds self-esteem. Many naturist women claim that one of the pleasures of nudism is the loss of awareness of the naked body.

Naturism helps us all realize the beauty and joy in diversity as all ages and body shapes are an accepted part of the scenery. If you can convince her to remove her restrictive "second skin," she'll be free to truly relax, and free to just be herself. You'll be indulging her in a luxury only nature can provide.

Then again, some women (and men) will never achieve this comfort. So, don't push it if someone is uncomfortable.

Sharing with someone the luxurious feeling of freedom and innocent fun experienced at a clothing-optional beach is a real kick. I wish you success in giving a woman a gift that doesn't stop giving throughout the rest of her life. Give her the time it takes for her to be comfortable in her own skin. She'll never forget it.



drawings by Edna Vollmers

Helen Mirren was named as the top celebrity by The Naturist Society for "promoting healthy nudity." Mirren, a nude sunbather herself, starred in *Calendar Girls*, in which women pose nude to fund-raise for a local hospital.

Among other famous celebrities:

"Sometimes I like to run naked in the moonlight and the wind, on a little trail behind our house, when the honeysuckle blooms. It's a feeling of freedom, so close to God and Nature."

—Dolly Parton

"We find that relaxing with clothes off at Elysium Fields [nudist resort] is a great tension reliever, for ourselves and our kids too."

—Lynn Redgrave

EXPLORE THE WORLD OF NATURISM

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Gunnison Beach, New Jersey, Gateway National Recreation Area



Isle of Youth, Cuba

“Would you bare all at a nude beach?”

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>Unsure</u>	<u>No</u>
USA	49%	19%	32%
UK	49%	21%	30%
Europe	55%	26%	10%

Tripadvisor® survey



Wreck Beach, Vancouver, Pacific Spirit Regional Park



In a 2006 Roper Poll, 25% of U.S. adults said they'd tried skinny-dipping or nude sunbathing—over 55 million people—and 74% didn't think skinny-dippers should be bothered at accepted beaches.

See the poll at: www.naturisteducation.org

Bredene Beach, Belgium



THE NATURIST ACTION COMMITTEE

Advancing and Protecting Naturist Freedoms

North America has some fabulous clothing-optional beaches. The Atlantic Coast can boast well-established sites along Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New York, New Jersey, South Carolina, and Florida. The Pacific Coast is home to multiple nude beaches on the shores of British Columbia, Oregon, California, and Oaxaca. North American skinny-dippers enjoy numerous lesser known seaside beaches, inland waters, and hot springs every sunny weekend. The Naturist Action Committee's primary mission is to promote, support, and defend familyfriendly nude use at such sites.

The Naturist Society (TNS) established the Naturist Action Committee (NAC) in 1990 as a nonprofit, independent organization uniting effective, experienced activists from across North America to advance and defend naturist freedoms. NAC's volunteer board members are elected democratically from and by the membership of TNS, and form the political adjunct to TNS.



Apollo Beach Canaveral
Natl Seashore

NAC sometimes works quietly behind the scenes prodding legislators into rewording bills negatively impacting enjoyment of naturist beaches; other times NAC proactively encourages opening new doors to nude recreation by proposing changes to existing anti-nudity laws or urging official acknowledgement of sites with a long history of nude use. Sometimes, NAC needs to bring in lawyers or professional lobbyists to assist with needed work in protecting your freedoms. Still other times, NAC is able to rely on the thousands of naturist beach users in North America to write, phone, or email key legislators to turn the tide in favor of nude recreation.

NAC is thus a grassroots organization that relies on the involvement and participation of individual naturists and local beach groups. Dozens of NAC "Area Representatives" associated with particular beaches, hot springs, states, or provinces help keep NAC current on what's happening locally and regionally. NAC can then respond quickly to troublesome legislation and assist local groups as needed.

The Naturist Action Committee works for you. As the oldest, most successful, and most respected organization in North America devoted exclusively to the advancement and protection of the rights of naturists, NAC has always been the credible voice for naturists. As a volunteer, nonprofit organization, NAC has no membership roster on which to assess dues. NAC relies completely on the generous voluntary donations of concerned individuals ... like you.

To learn more about NAC, and to contribute to its good work, see naturistaction.org, or write to NAC, PO Box 132, Oshkosh WI 54903.

NAC to Naturists: “We’ve got your back!”

The Naturist Action Committee works diligently and concurrently on multiple projects and issues across North America. Examples of NAC’s involvement range from family nudity that has been challenged by officials in New Mexico and Michigan to defenses against improperly applied indecent exposure laws in Colorado, Arizona, North Carolina, Florida and elsewhere.



NAC does much more than monitor proposed new laws, but naturists recognize that the passage of severe laws allows repressive enforcement against naturists. Poorly written laws encourage sloppy application. A recent example of legislation that NAC opposed – and defeated – was an Oregon measure that would have permitted a different definition of prohibited nudity in each of the state’s counties and municipalities. NAC hired a legislative lobbyist to assist its efforts with lawmakers, while NAC

also mounted a grass roots effort that killed the proposal.

Naturists are natural environmentalists, but recently, adversaries of nudity in Vermont persuaded state authorities to pursue charges of “environmental mischief” against a group of naturists who were raking storm debris from a clothing-optional lakefront beach. NAC immediately retained legal representation for the naturists, had the phony charges dropped and didn’t stop until it had negotiated a memorandum of understanding with the state agency, so the situation wouldn’t happen again.

If naturists are vulnerable in the relatively “safe” states of Oregon and Vermont, ask yourself what could happen in Florida or another place about which you care.

NAC is presently addressing major challenges from land management agencies at traditional clothing-optional beaches in California, Wisconsin and New York. The obstacles are formidable and the stakes are high. NAC has retained lawyers in California and New York and has a year-‘round lobbyist in Wisconsin.

NAC cannot always be one hundred percent successful, but that reality of activist involvement does not deter NAC from meeting each challenge vigorously and with the benefit of having learned from setbacks, as well as from its victories.

More information is available online at naturistaction.org.



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MEET THE SKINNY-DIPPERS

The past: Benjamin Franklin swam nude and practiced nude “air-bathing.” John Q. Adams was known for his daily nude swims in the Potomac while President.

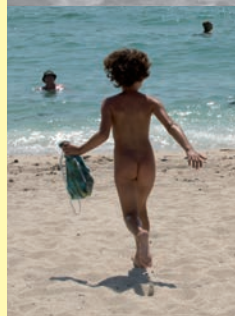
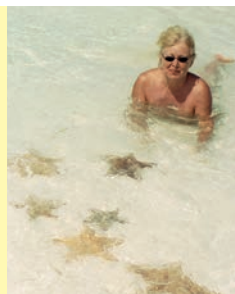
Skinny-dipping never disappeared entirely, but the Victorian era introduced a new shame of the human body. British skinny-dipper Robert Francis Kilvert’s *Diary* documents the increasing insistence on bathing “drawers” around 1870 in the U.K. In the U.S. men still had to cover their chests at most beaches into the 1930s. (Women usually still must.)

The modern naturist, nudist or “free body culture” (*FreiKörperKultur*) idea began in Germany with “healthful, moral and aesthetic” ideals—as explained by Richard Ungewitter in his 1906 book *Nakedness (Die Nacktheit)*. “FKK” quickly became popular in Germany—though officially banned by the Nazi party in 1933—and soon spread to other countries. The International Naturist Federation (INF) now has affiliates and members in more than 30 countries. The American Association for Nude Recreation (AANR) today has hundreds of affiliated U.S. nudist campgrounds, clubs, communities and resorts.

As bathing suits shrank in the 60s, there was also a skinny-dip renaissance, with “free beach” areas growing in number and use. The Naturist Society (TNS) was established in 1980, advocating for more acceptance of the natural body and for the responsible naturist use of public lands; its Naturist Network includes hundreds of local affiliates. Its adjunct organizations, the Naturist Action Committee and the Naturist Education Foundation, further the mission through political action and education across America.

Meet today’s skinny-dippers: in 3 years after the clothing-optional section was established at Haulover Park in 1991, visitors had increased 82%. In 2010, AANR promoted a simultaneous skinny-dip at over 100 sites in North America at which 14,110 people established a new Guinness World Record™.

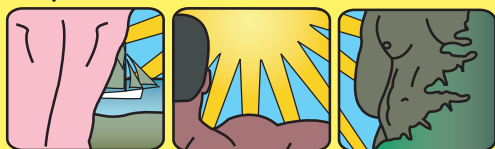
AANR, INF and TNS promote a naturism of “self-respect, respect for others, and for the environment.” With mutual respect, co-existence with non-naturists is indeed possible. The many popular naturist beaches worldwide are models for efforts to further naturist opportunities in the U.S.



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August 2-9, 2014
Ramblewood in Maryland

Gay Naturists International



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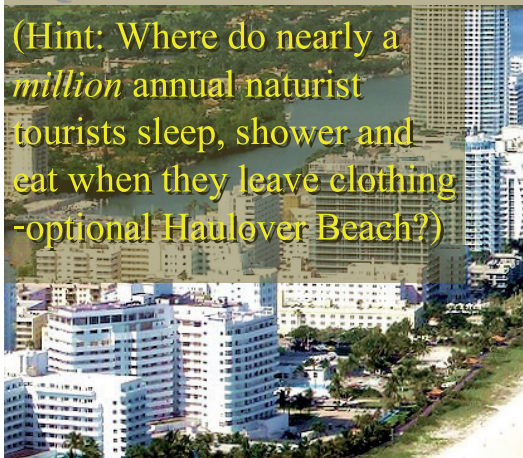
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Question: What's wrong with this picture?

(Hint: Where do nearly a *million* annual naturist tourists sleep, shower and eat when they leave clothing -optional Haulover Beach?)



Answer: At none of these resort hotels or condos can naturist tourists continue their clothes-free vacation experience.

It's Time! Resorts au Naturel Investment Trust is a blind investment pool for purchasing and establishing naturist (clothes-free) resort hotels near Haulover Beach Park and other clothing-optional beaches throughout North America.

Want Details?

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Keeping Our Beaches Bare

A Brief Florida Naturist History

- 1976: Organized “Free Beach” movement begins in America with the first “National Nude Beach Day” in New England and California
- Late 1970s: Skinny-dippers common at Virginia Key near Miami; skinny-dipping sites are also accepted at numerous other Florida beaches



Virginia Key, 1981

- 1980: South Florida Free Beaches (SFFB) incorporated as a nonprofit; The Naturist Society established as a national organization promoting free beaches
- 1981: Florida Administrative Code amended to require bathing suits in state parks, shortly ending accustomed nude usage at MacArthur Beach (against MacArthur family protest), Honeymoon Island, and other state parks
- 1982: City of Miami moves to end skinny-dipping at Virginia Key; SFFB negotiates with city, without resolution
- 1984: SFFB loses *SFFB v. City of Miami* lawsuit, in final attempt to keep naturist use at Virginia Key
- 1980s: SFFB successfully persuades Miami Beach and other municipalities to allow female top-free beach use. SFFB continues to promote naturist beaches through educational presentations and media opportunities
- 1987: SFFB identifies northern end of Haulover Beach as potential site for a clothing-optional beach; begins discussions with officials on designating a naturist beach there. There is interest, but no commitment.
- July 14, 1991: SFFB establishes the naturist beach at Haulover, marking a 100-yard section as clothing-optional with temporary advisory signs.



SFFB members explain the quest for a clothing-optional beach to TV reporter, 1988

- 1992: (February) Only arrests for simple nudity occur at Haulover Beach; SFFB comes to defense and all cases dismissed by judge. (April) Miami-Dade County Police legal advisor Laurie Collins issues memo advising police officers they cannot arrest persons on the beach for simple nudity
- 1993: SFFB persuades Park Department to provide lifeguards and build north parking lot; Park Department finally allows SFFB to install permanent signs marking the clothing-optional area at Haulover Beach
- 1994: First state anti-nudity legislation introduced in the State Legislature; SFFB hires a professional lobbyist, successfully defeats legislation; similar bills are defeated or modified in subsequent years
- 1996: SFFB establishes “Beach Ambassador” program at Haulover Beach at county’s request, after years of informally patrolling the beach
- 1999: B.E.A.C.H.E.S. Foundation incorporated as a naturist educational adjunct of SFFB and is granted federal 501 (c) (3) status in 2000; later becomes Miami-Dade Parks Department Program Partner for Haulover Park; implements several beach improvements (showers, tiki huts, beach wheelchairs); sponsors special events like overnight New Year’s Eve party in 2010 & 2012

Today SFFB continues to employ a Tallahassee legislative lobbyist; Government Affairs Committee members meet regularly with state and local officials and business and community leaders to present the naturist message to benefit naturists and skinny-dippers throughout Florida.

Other ongoing SFFB & B.E.A.C.H.E.S. projects include:

- Advocacy for Haulover beach users with disabilities to make Haulover Beach truly ADA compliant by additions and improvements to handicapped parking spaces and by wheelchair negotiable pedestrian tunnel ramps
- Advocacy for a comprehensive proposal that has been presented to key Florida executive department heads for clothing-optional beach areas in select Florida State Parks, effectively to restore areas lost in the 1980s
- Advocacy for a greater public acceptance of naturist beaches through our web site, newsletter, social media, and print publications like the *Guidebook*



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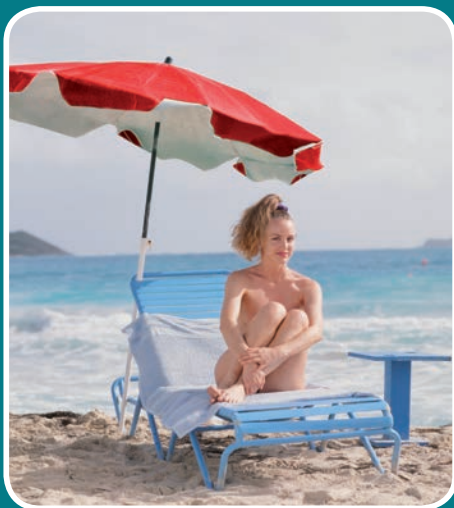
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