



*Florida's Paradise Coast*  
**2019**  
**Annual**  
**Convention**

DECEMBER 4-7, 2019  
NAPLES, FLORIDA

[onions-usa.org](http://onions-usa.org)



NATIONAL ONION  
ASSOCIATION

*Since 1968*

# The lowdown...

*Wednesday, Dec. 4 – Saturday, Dec. 7*

## 4 days on the Paradise Coast

Perched on the Gulf of Mexico in southwest Florida, Naples is well known for its high-end shopping, world-class culture and sophisticated dining. But Naples also is an affordable family destination that appeals to nature lovers and beach aficionados.

Florida's Paradise Coast offers 30 miles of wide, white sand and turquoise Gulf waters.

During our annual convention there will be enough down time to explore the area, and Naples is rife with adventures from theme parks to animal sanctuaries and tours.



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# The raffle...



**Enter to  
win  
\$4,500**

**Sell  
one or  
many**

Tickets will be available on Oct. 15. Call Sharla at (970) 353-5895 to order your tickets today. Tickets are \$50 apiece (10 to a book). The top seller wins \$200!



*The fun ...*

## Ngala Wildlife Preserve lunch and tour



*12:15-4 p.m.*

*Friday, Dec. 6*



NGALA® (pronounced n-yala) is an extraordinary Wildlife Preserve in Naples. This four-hour afternoon adventure will provide participants encounters with exotic wildlife combined with authentic entertainment and fine dining under state-of-the-art luxury tents. This once in a lifetime experience is located just minutes from the hotel. Buses will leave at 12:15 p.m. sharp. Don't miss this! Lunch included.



## Onion skin dyeing workshop for spouses/friends

Before the discovery of synthetic dyes, plants and other natural sources were used by all cultures to color fiber. Discover the history and basics of dyeing with plants by using onion skin, a powerful color source from nature that yields a range of golden to burgundy hues. In this workshop, you will dye a silk scarf with onion skins.



*Your teacher:*

*9:30-11:30 a.m. Friday, Dec. 6*

**Maria Elena Pombo**  
**Brooklyn, NY**



# - Schedule of Events -

**Official name badge required for all events!**

## **WEDNESDAY, December 4, 2019**

6 - 8:30 p.m.      Opening Reception and Registration

## **THURSDAY, December 5, 2019**

7:30 - 11:30 a.m.      Registration continued

8 a.m.      Breakfast buffet

8:30 - Noon      Committee meetings

**Afternoon**      On your Own

## **Golf Tournament**

*(Register separately for golf)*



*Registration is limited to first 40 players.  
Tee times start at 11:30 a.m. 18 holes  
If you are on a committee, you may  
have to take a later tee time.*



*Or, spend your afternoon  
at the beach!*



6 p.m.  
7-8 p.m.

Reception  
Dinner





## FRIDAY, December 6, 2019

8 - 9 a.m. Breakfast  
General Session

Reports, discussions and decisions will key on current events in the onion industry and other pertinent topics. Trends, opportunities, challenges, and public relations program updates. Greg Yielding, executive vice president; René Hardwick, director of public and industry relations.

9 - 9:20 a.m.

### “Onion Society” Keynote

Maria Elena Pombo has created a new project in which she uses onion skins to dye textiles.

9:30 -10:30 a.m.



### USDA GAP

**(good agricultural practices) audit services**

Program and Q&A Session

Expanding business opportunities, internationally and domestically.

Bring your questions about GAP programs and audits. Speaker: Jeffrey Davis, Business Development Specialist at USDA, Agricultural Marketing Service, Fruit & Vegetable Program

1:30-10:45 Break

10:45 -Noon

NOA Board Meeting

*(NOA Members Welcome)*

12:15 p.m. - 4 p.m.

### Ngala Wildlife Preserve

Buses will depart promptly at 12:15 p.m. for this amazing four-hour private wildlife preserve experience. Here you can pet, learn about and have close encounters with the wildlife of Africa. Lunch included.

6:30 – 7:30 p.m. Reception

7:30 – 9:30 p.m. **Awards Banquet and Annual Raffle**

*Raffle tickets will be on sale beginning Oct. 15.*

*Raffle winner gets \$4,500; top raffle sales person gets \$200!*

### Spouse/Friend Program ~ Friday

8 - 9 a.m. Buffet breakfast

9:30 - 11:30 a.m.  
**Onion Skin Dyeing Workshop**



Join Maria Elena Pombo, owner of Fragmentario studio in Brooklyn, N.Y., and learn how to dye your own silk scarf to take home.

## SATURDAY, December 7, 2019

8 - 9:15 a.m. Breakfast  
NOA Crop Reports



# Your accommodations

**Room Cost:**  
**\$199 per night**

**Reserve by**  
**Nov. 12**

**No refunds after**  
**Nov. 12**



<http://bit.ly/NaplesGrande2019>

## *Naples Grande Beach Resort*

475 Seagate Drive | Naples, Fla.



Naples Grande Beach Resort, one of the top family friendly hotels in Naples, Florida, is conveniently located for guests looking to explore the charming city of Naples and the pristine natural areas nearby.

Enjoy the finest selection of dining and nightlife. Known as a food lovers paradise, the dining options seem limitless with an abundance of famed restaurants in the city.

Naples isn't just a playground for adults. When you stay at Naples Grande Beach Resort you'll discover an endless variety of things to do with kids as well.

Guests of Naples Grande Beach Resort can use the Naples Golf Club practice facility. This includes unlimited golf balls and access to all practice areas.

Please reserve your room wisely. Any room cancellations after Nov. 12 will not get a refund.



**A daily resort fee of \$10**

(down from standard fee of \$37/day)

is added to your bill. This covers local telephone calls, WIFI, two bottles of water in your room, bicycle rentals, beach towels and chaise lounges, range balls and use of driving range; 24-hour access to fitness club; newspaper in lobby; and 10% discount on tennis court fees.

**Self Parking: \$10/day**

**Valet Parking: \$20/day**



**NAPLES GRANDE**  
BEACH RESORT

## AIRPORT AND GROUND TRANSPORTATION

You will fly into Fort Myers to the Southwest Florida International Airport (RSW).



There is no shuttle service from the airport to the Naples Grande Beach Resort and no public transportation directly to the hotel.



**On-demand taxi service to the Naples area/Zone 7 is \$60 for up to three passengers.**

Parties traveling to the same destination split the zone rate equally.

Uber: <https://www.uber.com/us/en/airports/>

Lyft: <https://www.lyft.com/airports>

Car Rental: All major rental car companies available. You can use your NOA Member Savings Card through Budget

Car Rental. Mention code BCD T550200.



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Register online at:

**[www.onions-usa.org/members/noaconventions](http://www.onions-usa.org/members/noaconventions)**

or send your registration form, accompanied by payment to NOA by Nov. 12, 2019.

National Onion Association  
822 7th St., Ste. 510  
Greeley, CO 80631

- Late and on-site registrations will be accepted; however:

**After November 12, the cost will increase by \$200 per registration.**

- Registration cancellations received after Nov. 12, 2019, are subject to a 25% processing charge to cover tour, catering, transportation and other pre-event expenses incurred by NOA.

### YOUR REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:

- 6 meals
- 3 receptions
- Speakers/presentations
- Ngala Wildlife Preserve Tour
- Spouse/Friend Onion Skin Dyeing workshop

# Registration Form

Register via this link

<http://bit.ly/2019NaplesRegistration>

online through the Member Center at [www.onions-usa.org](http://www.onions-usa.org)

or go to [www.onions-usa.org/members/noaconventions](http://www.onions-usa.org/members/noaconventions)

## Register by mail:

Please type or print information:

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

NICKNAME \_\_\_\_\_

COMPANY NAME \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE/FRIEND NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY/STATE \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

**Please indicate your transportation preference for Ngala Wildlife Preserve:**

**NOA Bus** \_\_\_\_\_ **On your own** \_\_\_\_\_ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

## Registration fee

Per Person

**\$900 (before Nov. 12)**

**\$1,100 (after Nov. 12)**

**Golf Registration fee per person \$125**

**(limited to first 40 players) (Separate registration form on flip side)**

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

• Fees in U.S. funds only; cash, check, or money order.

physical needs.

• Registration not required for children; however, selected meal and tour tickets are required.

• Payments to National Onion Association are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes.

• Indicate on this form if you have any special dietary or

However, they may be deductible as ordinary and necessary business expense. Consult your accountant.

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**Send registration fees** payable to:

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822 7th St., Suite 510  
Greeley, CO 80631

Phone (970) 353-5895  
FAX: (970) 353-5897



# Golf Tournament – ArrowHead Golf Club



ArrowHead Golf Club is an award-winning public golf course that has been awarded the prestigious Southwest Florida Choice Award for public golf courses, consecutively over the last ten years.

Tee times start at 11:30 a.m., 11:38 a.m., 11:46 a.m., 11:54 a.m., 12:02 p.m., 12:10 p.m., 12:18 p.m., 12:26 p.m., 12:34 p.m., and 12:42 p.m. Plan to play 18 holes for 4 hours. COMMITTEE MEETINGS ARE THE SAME DAY; IF YOU ARE ON A COMMITTEE, YOU MAY HAVE TO TAKE A TEE TIME AFTER 12 P.M. **(Random draw)**

**(Maps to course will be provided in packet)**

**Cost: \$125 per player**  
(price includes  
golf cart  
and range balls)

**Transportation to golf  
course not  
included.**

Rental clubs are  
available — \$35 plus tax per set

## Dress policy

- » We allow soft spikes only. Rubber soled athletic shoes are also permitted.
- » Gentlemen are required to wear collared shirts (mock turtles are acceptable).
- » Appropriate golf fashion tops for women.
- » Tee shirts and tank tops are prohibited on the course and practice facility.
- » Shorts are requested to be mid-thigh length or longer; no cut-offs, please.
- » Denim clothing is not allowed at ArrowHead Golf Club.

## Golf Registration Form

Complete this form along with meeting registration, include your golf fee, on the flip side:

Player 1 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Cell # \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact your golf organizers, Snap Keene ([norman.keene@eqraft.com](mailto:norman.keene@eqraft.com)) or Randy Clark ([randy.clark@volmcompanies.com](mailto:randy.clark@volmcompanies.com)) with questions about play.