

Florida Young Naturists' 3rd Annual Naked Spring Bash

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Must say, Sunsport has changed my life. My first day at Sunsport Gardens was Friday, April 8th, but it wasn't just an ordinary day. It was Florida Young Naturists' 3rd Annual Naked Spring Bash! My stay at Sunsport Gardens was an experience like no other. Sunsport is a warm, welcoming resort located in Loxahatchee, Florida. They supply you with a personal lot with beautiful scenery. You're able to camp with a tent, tipi, hammock, popup, teardrop, van, pickup, car, and even an RV or camper of some sort.

There are lakes scattered around the entire property with breathtaking nature trails that spider-web throughout the

grounds. I also love how all the trails can act as secret passageways and lead you to different parts of the land. There's also a pool with a waterslide by the pavilion near the cafe. Not to mention the hot tub and sauna!

My favorite spot would have to be the drum circle with the fire pit. For the active ones there are tennis courts, volleyball courts, a children's playground, horseshoes, and even kayaking!

Everyday there is something going on, with different activities throughout the day. Whether you like nature walks, water aerobics, square/swing dancing, yoga, playing chess against Bill, or if you'd rather

find something else going on of interest, I'm positive you'll enjoy your stay. I sure as heck know I did!

I admit that Sunsport and the FYN Spring Bash was not what I expected. The weekend before I arrived at Sunsport my friend had mentioned to me about a nudist resort. I always wanted to find a private camping area to go all natural in nature, so once hearing about this place I couldn't refuse the offer to visit. When I took my first step out of the car onto Sunsport soil I couldn't help but say, "I'm home," and beam a smile to my friend.

The first thing we did was go to the poolside, and that's where I first met Morley, the owner of Sunsport. He came walking up to me, and I will never forget what he said. "There are no clothes allowed in the pool area, so you need to get naked." So, with a wary smile, off came my sarong. I was quite nervous about being naked in front of a little over 150 people, (ages ranging from 18 to 30) but soon after I warmed up and got used to it. It felt natural, normal, and free, like I was *supposed* to be that way.

The atmosphere here is different than other places. The vibe is original and like none other I've felt before. The energy at Sunsport, along with the Florida Young Naturists, is strong, and everyone is loving and inviting. I've never met a friendlier group of people. I'd have to say that in the time I've spent there, I've made a new family, and an amazing one at that. I wish I could send my waves and feelings to you through reading this just so you know how ecstatic yet at peace, whole and comfortable I am with my body, and how much in love I am with Sunsport. And I'm sure you'll love it too.



Moise Gröger

THE AUTHOR ENJOYING herself at Sunsport.



FLORIDA YOUNG NATURISTS take to beach—Haulover Beach.

I'm very grateful that Florida Young Naturist held an event at Sunsport for whoever wished to come. It was a three-day event, running April 8–11, and the last day was free of charge. Every day they had events planned, consisting of swimming, dancing, yoga, karaoke, and exploring nature trails. They rented a 30-foot water slide and a bungee cord trampoline for people who needed a little thrill, and even had live bands playing by the bonfire for those who wanted to chill. They even had glow-in-the-dark body paint for the artists, for those who wanted to be an art piece.

During the FYN bash, I also did yoga, meditated in the butterfly garden, went dancing, took a group trip to Haulover Beach, then settled back at camp and ended the night by swaying with the drum circle band and roasting marshmallows. If it weren't for the Florida Young Naturists, I wouldn't have met all the extraordinary people at Sunsport. I made fabulous friends, but an even better family. **N**

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Florida Young Naturists



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