

SO FAR IN 2010:

Thanks

Date of Stay: May 2010

Hi Sheila,

I just wanted to let you know that we thoroughly enjoyed staying at your home and had a wonderful vacation in Fort Myers.

Thank you,
N&L M, USA

Next year?

Date of stay: February 2010

My son ... and his lovely family left for home yesterday after a wonderful stay with us in Florida. His boys, ages 3 and 5, swam every day ... He is hoping that he and his family can come again next year. ... I remember that last year ... you already had inquiries for renting this year. So with that in mind, I want to let you know right away that M and I would like to return next year to your lovely home in Florida.

F&M M, Wisconsin, USA

Our 4th visit

Date of Stay: January 2010

This was our 4th visit (can't believe I forgot to comment last year) and by far the best weather wise - after the cold spell Rick & Sheila experienced we had temps up to 84 degrees.

So another year over, another fantastic time in this wonderful home, and of course another big thank you to the Crawleys xxx See you next year xx

A&S M, Wolverhampton, England

Great base for golf

Date of stay: January 2010

We're a group of golfers who rent this house every year because it's always nice and clean, with many amenities and is centrally located to golf courses, restaurants etc. There's a neighborhood pond in the back stocked with many types of fish. It is a gated community and all the houses are well maintained.

I just wanted to let you know how much we enjoyed your house last week. Everything was nice and clean and in perfect order and that's why I'm e-mailing you. Could you send me the dates that are available 2011.

JE & party, Louisville, Kentucky, USA

2009

Sad to leave!

Date of Stay: December 2009

Beautiful villa, ideal location to spend Christmas. We've all truly enjoyed ourselves. We will be back!
Thanks.

JH & family, Liverpool, England

Excellent location

VC, Manchester

Date of Stay: October 2009

Great house in a fantastic location. It is near to the beaches on Sanibel & Captiva and also plenty of shops nearby. The house has everything you might need for your holiday and was plenty big enough for my family of 4. The pool was great, the only problem was getting the kids out of it !! There is a great park nearby which is great for kids. We hired bikes and a boat which was great fun. I would definitely recommend this villa if you are staying in Fort Myers, we can't wait to go back.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Sorry to be leaving

Date of Stay: October 2009

The villa is lovely, and the lake has provided a variety of wildlife to enhance our pleasure even if the fish don't like the English! The weather has been glorious, and the area provides an abundance of places to visit. Hope to return sometime. Thanks.

IA A&B families, England

Delightful villa

Date of Stay: August 2009

What a delightful villa & fabulous area - we've had a fantastic holiday and so relaxing after a week in Orlando! The wildlife is amazing, especially at Lovers Key & Sanibel / Captiva. The Fishmonger restaurant was closed for summer, but we found the Crab Shack nearby very child friendly & good food. Thank you for sharing your home with us - we hope to be back!

SP, UK

This has been our 3rd visit

Date of Stay: August 2009

This has been our 3rd visit to this lovely home and as ever we have had a wonderful time. We found more places to visit, and even more places to eat! As Arnie says, "we'll be back"

DB&L B, Yoxall, Staffordshire, England

Great time

Date of Stay: July 2009

We've had a great time in your lovely house. Especially loved the Killers CD (e, not the rest of the family unfortunately!)

JL, Netherlands

Great time

Date of Stay: June 2009

Thank you for letting us stay in your wonderful villa, we had a great time. Will be coming back!

L&J R, USA

Fabulous holiday

Date of Stay: July 2009

We had a truly fabulous holiday - your villa was the best we've ever stayed in. Thank you. We visited Sanibel Island very often.

SJ, Uxbridge, England

Thank you

Date of Stay: June 2009

Thank you for allowing us to use your wonderful home. We had a wonderful time & especially enjoyed the beaches on Sanibel & Captiva. Highlight of our trip was the dolphins & manatee boat trip where we swam with the manatees & played with the dolphins.

RH, Northern Ireland

We did absolutely love your villa

[J1858](#) England

Date of Stay: June 2009

It's beautifully decorated and has so many little extras that really made it feel like home. The information in the booklets was invaluable - we're definitely fans of the Sweetbay supermarket and also Bahama Breeze (which we visited a couple of times). There were noticeably less British visitors around - in fact we only came across any other British people on Sanibel island - which I rather like. It was certainly a change from Orlando where practically everyone you meet is on holiday from the UK too. I've stayed in other villas before but never one that's been fitted out to such high standards -

I've been showing my colleagues at work the website and they're all very jealous. We're currently looking into how we can fly into South West Florida airport directly as we'd be keen to visit again. Thanks again for the loan of your lovely home - we definitely appreciated it!
J, Bedfordshire, England

[Thank you](#)

Date of Stay: May 2009

What a lovely house with an incredible view! I had such a wonderful time with my children and grandchildren. Thank you very much!
MC, Netherlands

We really enjoyed our stay here in your beautiful villa. We definitely want to come back to Florida. Many thanks!
Family L, Netherlands

[Great house](#)

Date of Stay: May 2009

Great house, well located, everything you need, thank you, we will be back!
A&R D, Norfolk, England

[Spring Break family vacation](#)

[tibber](#) Grand Rapids, Michigan USA

Date of Stay: April 2009

Staying in your home made our vacation perfect. No issues at all with directions, getting and dropping off the key, etc. Meeting your neighbor, Jim, was nice, not only because he's a nice guy, but because he also provided us with the garage door opener. You have a beautiful, well equipped home, the bicycles were used by our daughter and her friend. If we ever stay in Fort Myers again, we would want to stay in your home. If I know of anyone going there, I will recommend it to them too. Thanks for asking for feedback and again, thanks for providing your home to us.

[Great again](#)

[BarDor](#) Yoxall, Staffordshire, UK

Date of Stay: May 2008

Our second holiday in the villa proved to be even more enjoyable than the first as we were more familiar with the area. One of our party is disabled and the villa, being single story, met all of her mobility needs. The villa is light, spacious, is fully equipped and is furnished and maintained to exceptionally high standards. We can't imagine holidays now without a pool. A great variety of restaurants, beaches, shops, etc. are but short drives away. We reckon that the best place to experience alligators is on an air boat at Lake Trafford. Dealing direct with the owner, Sheila, was easy. She provided all the information that we needed and the whole process was completely problem free. Would not hesitate to recommend to all. Already planning our third visit in 2010.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities, Romantic Getaway

[Snow Birds](#)

[Snowbyrds](#) Whitby Ontario Canada

Date of Stay: March 2009

House is very well laid out, very spacious, lots of room for the grandkids to blow off steam. Heated pool was very nice after a day at the beach. Stove and fridge were top grade and worked very well. I loved our pancake breakfasts. Lots of glasses and plates and cups for a large family. Grounds were well kept and very pretty. The wife loved the flat screen tv and the PVR cable box. A car is a necessity, it is a fair walk to any stores. Beach is about 25K /18 miles. Fort Myers was better than Sanibel and there was no toll to go over the bridge. We had a great time and will return in the future.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Girls Getaway, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, Romantic Getaway

[Winter Retreat & Family Gathering](#)

Fredric, Hales Corners, Wisconsin, USA

Date of Stay: February 2009

My wife and I just returned to cold Wisconsin from our 3rd Winter retreat at this lovely home in Fort Myers. We are already booking for February 2010 for our next stay. As the pictures show, the home is spacious and beautiful. With our one month stay, it feels like our second home. The home is large enough that our children and grandchildren can visit from Maryland and Minnesota. Cribs and highchairs are provided when needed. We appreciate that the neighborhood is very peaceful and beautiful; great for walks. Yet, the home is very close to shopping and the beaches. One of the greatest treasures of this home's location is that it is a short and lovely bike ride to Lakes Park. This is a beautiful park, full of lakes, boardwalks and trails that put Florida's magnificent birds on display. The park's trails are great for walking and biking. The park is also wonderful for children, with great playgrounds, a miniature train ride, various boat and bike rentals and delightful water spray fountains for children to play in on those hot days. Finally, I have found the owner very gracious and concerned in meeting our needs.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

[Home from Home](#)

Annie + 4, Wolverhampton, England

Date of Stay: January 2009

We've just returned from our yearly vacation in Fort Myers, and 3rd stay in this wonderful home, so, with all the thousands of villas/homes available why do we keep coming back to this one?

Well for us it ticks all of the right boxes, clean, tidy, spacious, affordable and above all else it's comfortable. From the moment we arrive we feel like we're at home, slipping off your shoes at the door and falling into the comfy leather sofa. This house is set out for living in, not for show, and that makes everything extra special for us at least, knowing that for the next 2 weeks we can call this home and not just rented accommodation.

Obviously we did the Disney thing when the children were little (and as teenagers) but there has to be life without neon lights and roller coasters. Fort Myers offers me the chance to see Florida as it should be, with a host of local attractions, state parks and enough shopping to keep a girl happy for months.

Local attractions? Well my personal favourite is Lovers Key State Park, especially for an early morning walk along white sands, catching the sunrise. More than once we've witnessed the dolphins feeding close to the shore, and watched in amazement as an osprey flew down taking the fish right out of the dolphins reach. Lovers Key has all of the untouched splendour nature has to offer, no doubt that's why we keep coming back.

Shopping is of course very close to my heart, and there's no disappointment here. Whether its Walmart that takes your fancy, malls or designer outlets, Fort Myers has it all. Just a short drive from the villa is Tangers Designer Outlets, offering the likes of Tommy Hillfiger, Gap, Reebok, Liz Claibourne and much more.....and at fabulous discounts not too bad for hubby's bank balance.

I've saved the best till last, eating out, the only trouble is I can't decide where to recommend first. If it's steak houses you're after then check out Longhorn, Outback and Sam Seltzers baby back ribs.....delicious. For something different then Bahama Breeze offers a taste of the Caribbean in a fabulous setting.

From the original enquiry, to the booking process, collecting the key and settling into your home from home Sheila and Rick made sure that everything went smoothly. I could not have asked for more. Would I recommend this property to a friend? You bet I would, but I'd have to make sure that I'd got my booking in first.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Girls Getaway, Tourists without a Car, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Perfect location

Date of Stay: January 2009

Thank you for the use of your home for several weeks. We enjoyed our visit to our old city & visiting with many good old friends. Your location is perfect!

G&G H, Georgia, USA

2008

Ft. Myers Villa

Tony-Susi Toulouse, France

Date of Stay: December 2008

We have family in the area and so visit fairly often. We usually stay at a different place during each visit. Until now we have never found one that we particularly wanted to stay a second time. That has changed with this villa and we hope to be able to book it each time from now on. The owners are helpful and responsive. The house and neighborhood are clean and well maintained. As advertised, no surprises.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Girls Getaway, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Colonial Pointe

CM&TK, essex ,uk

Date of Stay: October 2008

the weather was very nice in the eighties every day , one of the highlights was being bumped by a manatee in our canoe at lovers key , I think we'll always remember that. We found your house ideal. It was a fantastic base for a wonderful holiday and we would rent it again and recommend it to anyone.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Lovely ...

Date of Stay: October 2008

Lovely villa, had a wonderful time here!

P family, Cheshire, England

Florida coast addicts

Peter and Sue Winchester, UK

Date of Stay: September 2008

Having spent many years visiting the coastal resorts of Florida we have decided that this area is one of our favourites. Renting, usually for a month, allows us to relax and take full advantage of the many attractions; wild-life, beaches, shops and restaurants. We have found that the villa provides a secure and luxurious base, offering good facilities, extras such as bicycles, beach umbrellas and seats, a library of books and guide brochures, not forgetting beach toys, puzzles and games for all ages. The site is well maintained and the property and pool is managed efficiently locally. After visiting twice, we can appreciate the upgrades of equipment such as digital technology, which all makes for a quality experience, which we would repeat without hesitation.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Fabulous holiday

Date of Stay: August 2008

Fabulous holiday in a fabulous home! Perfect location for beaches, restaurants, shopping! Weather has been gorgeous.

J&F E, Manchester, England

Great Villa in gated community

[MarkUK123](#) UK

Date of Stay: August 2008

We thoroughly enjoyed the property. Gated community with good access to shops and the beaches. Well decorated and lovely furnishings. Great south facing pool area. ... We've had an amazing time her & we've enjoyed the view of the lake ... you never know, we might be back soon! Thanks a lot!

Recommended for: Age 55+, Tourists without a Car, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Fantastic

[John,Diane, Lucy](#) Congleton, Cheshire, UK

Date of Stay: July 2008

What a fantastic place to stay - stunning villa, fabulous location in easy reach of many wonderful places to visit, especially enjoyed Wootens Air Boat ride in the Everglades. The villa was everything and more than advertised. Superb layout with high quality furnishings and lots of room to chill - whether eating in the excellent kitchen, relaxing in the lounge or lazing by the poolside - all so easy to do in this villa. We found the villa to be very clean and well maintained and would highly recommend this to anyone visiting the Fort Myers area, they will not be disappointed. All amenities close by providing everything you may need. We enjoyed it so much that we will definitely be back!

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities

Colonial Pointe Luxury Villa

[Caamha](#) Bangor, Northern Ireland

Date of Stay: July 2008

Even though the photos of this villa are excellent they do not do the place justice. We have stayed here on 2 occasions & would recommend it to anyone. The place is spotless with everything required for a relaxing, enjoyable break. The mature lake to the rear is now home to a wide variety of birdlife. The gated community provides for extra security, however the area is so peaceful I can assure you that security is not an issue. The property is ideal for exploring the stunning islands of Sanibel &

Captiva. We have also been fishing, boating in Naples & air boating on the Florida Everglades. There are also a wide variety of shops/restaurants close by catering for all needs & budgets. Our favourite family restaurants being Bahama Breeze close by, & the Hungry Heron & Island Cow on Sanibel. To sum up - when you view the visitors book at the villa you will be amazed at the number of families that have returned like ourselves for a second visit. This says it all, you will not be disappointed.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities, Romantic Getaway

Love your house!

Date of Stay: June 2008

Love your house! The pool is awesome, especially like the kitchen! Great location. We had a great time. Thank you, we will be back!

C&M H, Doncaster, Yorkshire, England

Great house, great relaxing holiday

Hertfordshire, England

Date of Stay: February 2008

Lovely holiday house, very clean, well equipped and maintained, and was even better than we had expected. Great location, within easy reach of the beaches. The area has a surprising number of things to do if you want it, but is a very relaxing place, and after a week in Orlando, that was exactly what we wanted! The children especially loved the pool, the heron who came to the lake every morning whilst they ate breakfast, and the beaches. Other highlights were seeing dolphins close-up, and shell collecting on Sanibel. It was great to have the grocery store so near to the house. Sheila & Rick were very professional and helpful. We would definitely recommend the property to anyone, and look forward to going back sometime ourselves.

Recommended for: Age 55+, Adventure Seekers, Sightseeing, Families with Teenagers, Families with Young Children, People with Disabilities, Romantic Getaway