

# Collier County Tourism: Take a trip through paradise, beyond

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Some of the reasons that so many people refer to Naples, Marco Island and the western Everglades as “paradise” include the area’s natural beauty, abundant wildlife and spectacular sunsets.

All of that and much more has been beautifully captured by fine art photographer Alan S. Maltz in “Journey Through Paradise: Naples, Marco Island & The Everglades,” the fifth edition to a series of large-format coffee table books showcasing the wonders of Florida.

With his vision and unique photographic style, the book presents a poetic interpretation of the familiar and rarely witnessed scenes in the untamed Everglades and Ten Thousand Islands along with picturesque scenes from Naples and Marco Island, along with narrative text by author and journalist Karen T. Bartlett.

Maltz, the official wildlife and fine art photographer of Florida, will appear at an artist reception from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. Saturday at Museum of the Everglades and 5:30 to 8 p.m. Nov. 20 at Naples Depot Museum. Books arrive in stores in mid-November or may be ordered through [alanmaltz.com](http://alanmaltz.com).