

To become a member, please complete the form (be sure to print legibly) below and send it with your membership contribution to:

**Friends of Six Mile Cypress  
Slough Preserve  
7791 Penzance Blvd.  
Fort Myers, Florida 33966**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Membership Level (Please Check One)**

Student (\$10)

Individual (\$20)

Contributing (\$50)

Supporting (\$100)

Associate (\$250) - 1

Sustaining (\$500) – 1, 2

Corporate Sponsor (\$500) – 1, 2

Patron (\$1,000) – 1, 2, 3

**1** - includes parking pass for 17 Lee Co. facilities

**2** - includes choice of wet walk or moon walk for ten guests

**3** - includes bench or rocking chair naming opportunity

**Additional Contribution:**

**Interpretive Center Fund**

**\$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Yes! I want to help the Friends.  
Keep me informed of opportunities for  
volunteering.**

**Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve**

**7791 Penzance Blvd.**

**Fort Myers, FL**

239-533-7550

**Location**

Ben Pratt/ Six Mile Cypress Parkway

1 1/2 miles north of Daniels Parkway

**Hours**

8 am to Sunset

**Guided Walks**

**Daily**

**January through March** 9:30 am and 1:30 pm

**April, November, December** 9:30 am

**May through October** Wednesday 9:30 am

**Interpretive Center Hours**

**January - March** 10:00 am until 4:00 pm

**March—December** 10:00 am until 2:00 pm

**Closed Mondays**

**Fees**

FREE Admission

Parking \$1 per hour, \$5 maximum

Vehicle parking fees pay for Preserve programs  
and maintenance

**Group Tours/ Programs**

Available by reservation

Call 239-533-7556

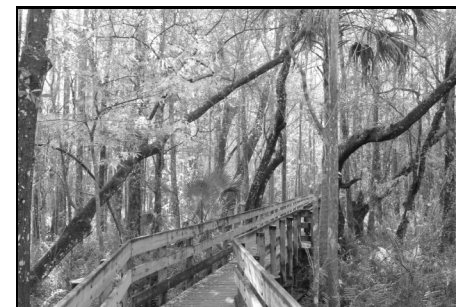
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**FRIENDS OF SIX MILE  
CYPRESS SLOUGH  
PRESERVE**

**FORT MYERS, FLORIDA**

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**JOIN US!**

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The Friends of Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is a not-for-profit advocacy and support organization dedicated to preserving, protecting and promoting the Preserve for future generations through education and community partnerships.

Friends' members are ecologically-minded citizens and community leaders who

- Assist Six Mile staff and volunteers in educational efforts at the Preserve
- Support development and operation of the Interpretive Center
- Promote special events and projects to enhance the Preserve

The Preserve's land was acquired in 1976 after taxpayers voted to purchase the land and place it in public ownership.

Lee County and the South Florida Water Management District own and manage the Preserve with Friends serving as an independent support organization.

## What is the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve?

The Slough is a wetland ecosystem draining a 33 square mile watershed. Averaging 1/3 mile in width, the Slough extends about nine miles southwest from north of State Road 82 to Ten Mile Canal. The acreage of the Slough is 2,549 acres which includes lands set aside in development orders to be kept in natural condition by developers next to the Slough. There are 1,895 acres in public ownership, and negotiations are ongoing with the County Lands 20/20 program for additional acreage.

## Why do Visitors Come?

The Slough provides visitors with an easily accessible, peaceful, quiet and a stress-free space to walk and relax the mind, body and spirit.

Photographers and nature lovers will find the Preserve is a great place to study and photograph native Southwest Florida plants and animals.

And, of course, visiting children are always on the lookout for the occasional alligator or snake. A boardwalk provides a safe, easily accessible path for everyone visiting the Preserve.

Interested visitors can learn about the vital role played by wetlands in flood control and the filtering and cleansing of water, and in aquifer recharge and replenishing water to the local area.

## Join Us!

Friends of the Six Mile Cypress Slough Preserve is looking for members just like you! You can become a Friend by making an annual tax-deductible membership contribution.

A newsletter and e-mail updates to all Friends' members give advance notice of future events at the Preserve as well as the latest news on current Friends' projects, members and partnerships. All members get a 10% discount at Friends' Corner.

### NEW MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVES

Members joining at the Associate Member level of \$250 receive a one year parking pass for seventeen Lee County Parking facilities. Sustaining Member and Corporate Sponsor Level of \$500 will receive a parking pass and the option of a guided moon walk or wet walk. The patron level of \$1,000 will receive a parking pass, a guided walk and a bench or rocking chair naming opportunity. Your Friends' membership is an investment in public education and conservation.

## Need More Information?

[www.sloughpreserve.org](http://www.sloughpreserve.org)

Call 239-533-7557 for questions

## Ready to Join?

## We're ready for you!

Complete and mail the membership panel of this brochure with your membership contribution.