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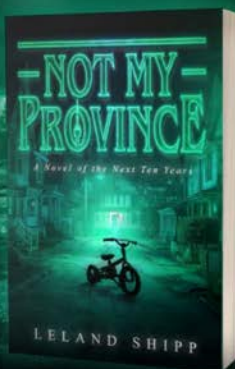
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September in Florida: When the Devil Turns Up the Thermostat and the Alligators Start Looking for Air Conditioning

I was born and raised in Florida, which means I learned early that the calendar is mostly a suggestion. Up north they talk about "crisp autumn air" and leaves turning pretty colors. Down here in September, the only thing turning is the air conditioner compressor, and the only crisp thing is the crust that forms on your skin if you dare step outside without a gallon of lotion and a prayer.

September in Florida is summer's mean older cousin who refuses to leave the party. The thermometer still sits on "broil," the humidity is thick enough to chew, and every afternoon the sky decides to throw a temper tantrum that dumps enough water to float Noah's ark again. You can set your watch by it. At 3:17 p.m. the thunder starts talking trash, the rain comes sideways, and by 3:45 it's over. Leaving the air even steamier than before, like the whole state just got out of a hot shower and forgot to towel off.

I once heard a tourist from Ohio complain that "it feels like walking through soup." Son, that ain't soup. Soup has flavor. This is pure, unfiltered, God-ordained misery mixed with a side of mosquitoes the size of sparrows. Those mosquitoes don't just bite; they file a claim on your blood and leave a receipt. I've seen grown men swat at the air like they're fighting off a swarm of tiny vampires and still lose.

Hurricane season is in full swing, of course. The weather folks on television get that special gleam in their eyes like kids on Christmas morning. They start naming storms after

people who never did anything wrong except maybe overcook the collards one Thanksgiving. Every tropical wave that leaves Africa gets tracked like it's an escaped convict. "It's just a low-pressure system," they say, until suddenly it's a Category 2 with your name on it and half the state is fighting over the last case of bottled water at Publix. Floridians don't panic. We just calmly buy plywood, fill the bathtub, and argue about whether the storm is going to hit Tampa or Jacksonville. We're professionals at this. We've been practicing since before air conditioning was invented.

Football season is in full swing, which is the one bright spot. High school games under the Friday night lights are pure Southern religion. The band plays, the cheerleaders bounce, and the air is so thick you can almost see the sweat evaporating off the players in real time. College football kicks off too, and every living room turns into a war room. You'll hear a man yell at the television like the coach can actually hear him through the screen. "Run the ball, you idiot!" is the official state prayer of September.

The kids are back in school, which means the kids are finally out of your hair for a few hours a day. Until they come home with a backpack full of forms to sign and a request for three dozen cupcakes by Friday. Teachers deserve combat pay in Florida. They walk into classrooms that feel like saunas and somehow keep the little darlings from melting into puddles of attitude and humidity.

The snowbirds haven't arrived yet in full force. They're still up north packing their polyester and deciding which of their children they can stand to visit. That gives us a brief window of relative peace on the roads. Come October the interstates will fill with Cadillacs driven by folks who think the left lane is a suggestion, and the turn signal is optional. For now, we locals can still get to the Waffle House without risking our lives.

Speaking of Waffle House, September is when the late-night crowd gets especially interesting. After a long day of sweating through your shirt and dodging afternoon storms, nothing hits quite like a plate of hash browns scattered, smothered, and covered, washed down with coffee strong enough to wake the dead. The waitress calls you "sugar" whether you're twenty or seventy, and for a few minutes the world makes sense again.

I've lived through more Septembers than I care to count, and I've come to accept certain truths. One: you will never truly dry off until November. Two: the first cool front of the season will be celebrated like the Second Coming, even if it only drops the temperature to 92. Three: any man who claims he doesn't mind the heat is either lying or has already sold his soul to the air conditioning repairman.

So, if you're visiting Florida in September, pack light clothes. Bring some heavy patience, and a healthy respect for both lightning and the people who live here year-round. We may look a little wilted and talk a little slow, but that's just the heat working its magic. We've survived worse. We've survived August.

And when the first real cold front finally rolls through and the humidity drops below 90 percent, you'll see something rare. A Floridian smiling without irony. Until then, keep the AC running, the bug spray handy, and your sense of humor intact. September doesn't last forever. It just feels like it does.

Leland Shipp is the beloved "Voice of Southern Charm" at The Peddler's Post, where his monthly articles inspire unity, humor, and community pride across Citrus & Hernando counties. His warm, relatable voice and insightful commentary have made him a cherished fixture in local journalism, championing the values that make his region truly special. Believe it or not, he is also an accomplished author of psychological thrillers and horror.

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19th

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Holiday schedule: Selichot service is Sat., Sept. 5: President's Reception at 7pm and service 8pm. Erev Rosh Hashanah Friday, Sept. 11 at 7:30pm. Morning service I: Sat. Sept. 12 at 10am. Tashlich at 1:30 at Linda Peterson Park, Pavilion 1. Rosh Hashanah morning II (family friendly): Sun. Sept 13 at 10am stories & crafts for children. Family service at 11am & Rosh Hashanah Seder 12pm. Yom Kippur Service: Kol Nidre Sun., Sept. 20 at 7:30pm. Yom Kippur service Mon. Sept. 21 at 10am. Yizkor at 12:30. Break-the-Fast (RSPV) at 6:30pm. For more information call (352)-686-7034. Our email: administrator@springhill.com website: www.tbdspringhill.com TEMPLE BETH DAVID 13158 Antelope St. Spring Hill

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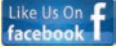
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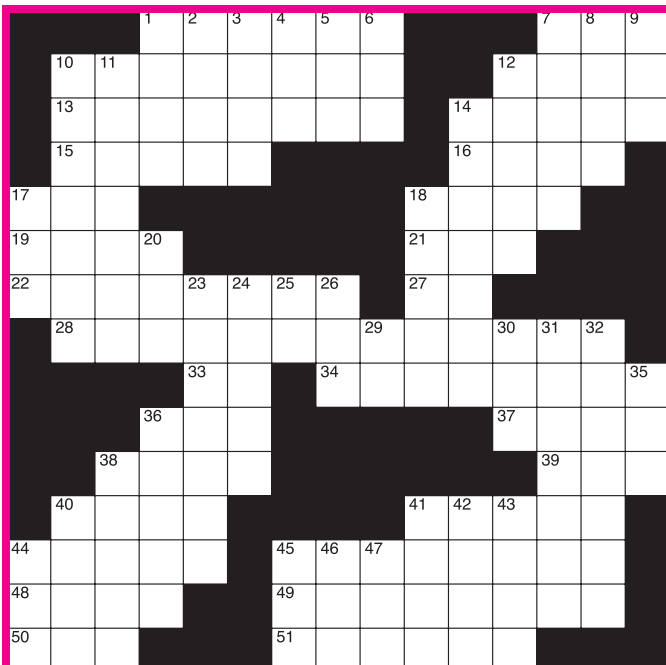


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16. French coastal city
17. Hawaiian dish
18. Young of domestic cattle
19. Women's undergarments
21. 60-minute intervals (abbr.)
22. One after another
27. It's a hot topic these days
28. Folk band frontman
33. They precede C
34. Heavenly
36. Fiddler crabs
37. Major Hindu deity
38. Hebrew given name
39. Cost per mile
40. __ Romeo, car
41. Rural municipality in Manitoba
44. Narratives
45. "A tragedy had __ him"
48. Iranian city
49. Praises publicly
50. Founding Father Franklin
51. Herbal tea

CLUES DOWN

1. Indian unit of mass

2. "Tears in Heaven" singer

3. Part of a sailing vessel
4. Part of (abbr.)
5. Polynesian garland of flowers
6. Keyboard key
7. One who steals
8. Large oven
9. Former CIA
10. Idea
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12. Afrikaans
14. Remove thatch
17. Television network
18. Jalen Brunson is one
20. Title of respect
23. Flowering trees
24. Occurring in a tube
25. Exists
26. Woman (French)
29. Expression of doubt
30. NHL legend Bobby
31. Accomplished
32. Makes slightly wet
35. National Assn. of Manufacturers
36. Not sated
38. Poe's middle name
40. Swiss river
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While many people might think of rice as a side dish to meat or fish, rice is the star of the show in this recipe for "Southwestern Rice Salad with Black Beans" from LinεAngles.

Southwestern Rice Salad With Black Beans (4 servings)

For the salad:

1 cup white long-grain rice, rinsed ~ 3/4 cup canned sweet corn, drained ~ 1 3/4 cups canned black beans, drained
2 cups grape tomatoes, rinsed and halved ~ 4 green onions, rinsed, trimmed and sliced ~ Kosher salt

Freshly ground black pepper ~

For the dressing:

1 lime, juiced ~ 4 tablespoon olive oil ~ 1 red chili pepper, trimmed, seeded and finely diced

1 small handful fresh cilantro, chopped

To serve:

1 lime, sliced into wedges

1. For the salad: In a medium saucepan, bring 2 cups of lightly salted water to a boil; add rice.
2. Reduce heat to low, cover with a lid and cook for 15 to 20 minutes, or until water is absorbed and rice is tender to the bite. Remove from the heat and let cool, still covered, to one side.
3. Once the rice has cooled, rinse the sweet corn and black beans in cold water; drain thoroughly.
4. Fluff the rice with a fork before combining with the sweetcorn, black beans, tomatoes, and chopped green onions in a large serving bowl.
5. For the dressing: In a small bowl, whisk together lime juice, 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper until salt has dissolved.
6. Whisk in olive oil in a slow, steady stream until incorporated. Stir in the diced chili pepper and chopped cilantro.
7. To serve: Drizzle dressing over the salad and gently toss. Serve with lime wedges on the side for squeezing over.





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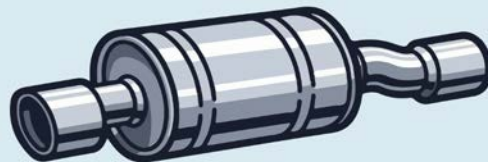
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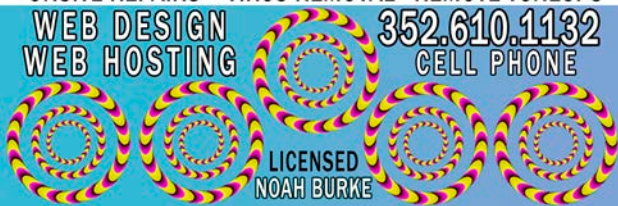
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The dangers of mold infestation

Whether it's a fuzzy patch on a basement wall or a dark speckle on bathroom grout, mold might be dismissed as a minor nuisance. But a mold infestation is a serious health hazard and a threat to a home's structural integrity. When mold spores find moisture and a food source, they can multiply rapidly, quietly compromising both a living space and residents' well-being.

The most pressing danger of mold is its impact on personal health. Mold releases tiny spores and volatile organic compounds into the air. When inhaled, these particles can trigger respiratory issues, particularly in sensitive individuals, according to the Cleveland Clinic. People with asthma, allergies or compromised immune systems are at the greatest risk of mold-related illness. Exposure often leads to a cluster of symptoms, which include chronic coughing, wheezing, nasal congestion, skin irritation, and red, itchy eyes.

More concerning is exposure to toxic molds, such as *stachybotrys chartarum* (commonly known as black mold). These strains produce mycotoxins - toxic substances that can cause more severe neurological issues, chronic fatigue, headaches, and respiratory bleeding in extreme cases, according to WebMD. Because these spores are invisible, inhabitants often suffer from unexplained illnesses for months before identifying the root cause.

Mold also poses a severe threat to homes and other structures. Mold feeds on organic materials like wood, drywall, carpet, and ceiling tiles. As the fungi grow, they secrete enzymes that digest these materials, gradually weakening them. Over time, an unchecked mold problem can rot structural support beams, ruin insulation, and cause drywall to crumble. By the time mold becomes visible on the surface, it has likely already caused extensive hidden damage inside the walls.

Preventing and addressing mold requires vigilance. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says mold thrives in environments with relative humidity above 60 percent. Therefore, controlling indoor moisture is a very important preventive measure. Fixing leaky pipes immediately, using exhaust fans in kitchens and bathrooms, and running dehumidifiers in damp basements can keep spores dormant.

If one discovers a mold infestation covering an area larger than 10 square feet, he or she should avoid disturbing it, as this can launch millions of spores into the air. Instead, homeowners should look into hiring professional remediation services to safely isolate, kill, and remove the mold. Treating mold early protects personal health and can prevent long-term damage to a home.



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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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September 1st 1878 First female telephone operator starts work, Emma Nutt, for the Edwin Holmes Telephone Dispatch Company in Boston

September 2nd 1969 The first automated teller machine in the United States is installed in Rockville Centre, New York

September 3rd 1777 The flag of the United States flies in battle for the first time at Cooch's Bridge, Delaware, during a skirmish in the American Revolutionary War

September 4th 1965 The Beatles' single "Help!" goes to #1 and stays #1 for three weeks

September 5th 1976 Jim Henson's "The Muppet Show" premieres on television with Mia Farrow as the guest star

September 6th 1839 Cherokee Nation unites and ratifies constitution at Tahlequah, Oklahoma

September 7th 1813 "Uncle Sam" is first used to refer to the US by Troy Post of New York

September 8th 1504 Michelangelo's statue of David is unveiled in Florence

September 9th 1543 Mary Stuart, at nine months old, is crowned Queen of Scots in the central Scottish town of Stirling

September 10th 1945 Mike the Headless Chicken is decapitated in Fruita, Colorado, but survives for another 18 months before choking to death

September 11th 1916 First true self-service supermarket, "Piggly Wiggly," opens in Memphis, Tennessee

September 12th 1624 The first submarine is publicly tested in London on the Thames for King James I

September 13th 1969 "Scooby-Doo Where are You" by Hanna-Barbera debuts on CBS in the US

September 14th 1936 First prefrontal lobotomy in America performed by Walter Freeman and James W. Watts at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, D.C.

September 15th 1616 First non-aristocratic, free public school in Europe is opened in Frascati, Italy

September 16th 1620 The Mayflower departs Plymouth, England, with 102 Pilgrims and about 30 crew for the New World

September 17th 1972 TV comedy series "M*A*S*H" debuts on CBS in the US and runs for 11 years, garnering 14 Emmy Awards and 1 Peabody

September 18th 1947 Central Intelligence Agency officially comes into existence after being established by President Truman in July

September 19th 1893 New Zealand becomes the first country to grant all women the right to vote

September 20th 1850 Slave trade is abolished in DC, but slavery is allowed to continue

September 21st 2004 Green Day releases their album "American Idiot" in the US

September 22nd 1994 "Friends," a TV sitcom created by David Crane and Marta Kauffman, premieres on NBC

September 23rd 1962 ABC's first color TV series, "The Jetsons," created by Hanna-Barbera, premieres

September 24th 1957 "Jailhouse Rock" single released by Elvis Presley (Billboard Song of the Year 1957)

September 25th 1780 American army officer Benedict Arnold defects to the British

September 26th 1580 Francis Drake completes his circumnavigation of the world, sailing into Plymouth, England aboard the Golden Hind

September 27th 1912 W. C. Handy publishes "Memphis Blues," considered one of the first blues songs

September 28th 1892 First night football game played in Mansfield, Pennsylvania

September 29th 1859 Great auroral display in the US

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According to the EIA, between March 2025 and March 2026, energy bills increased in 44 of 50 states in America. Statistics Canada notes energy prices rose by 19.2 percent between April 2025 and April 2026.

There are four differences between Picture A and Picture B.



Answers:
1. More plants and basket on right 2. Missing pumpkin 3. Bird in sky
4. Gourd in front

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Solve the code to discover words related to fall.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 5 = E)

A. 18 5 6 15 5 7

Clue: Tree foliage

B. 13 6 17 5

Clue: Gathers leaves

C. 22 26 20 22 17 1 23

Clue: Orange gourd

D. 11 24 13 23

Clue: Starchy crop

Answers: A. leaves B. rake C. pumpkin D. corn

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Facts about the autumnal equinox

Crisp autumn air will soon be rolling in and the leaves on trees will be trading their vivid green hues for shades of orange, red and purple. Fall begins on the autumnal equinox. Although people may see it as the official kickoff to bonfires and flannels, that's not the only interesting part of this remarkable day.

- It's a moment and not a day. Despite what many people think, the autumnal equinox is not an entire day. In fact, the equinox is a precise astronomical event. It occurs at the exact moment the sun crosses the celestial equator, an imaginary line in the sky directly above the Earth's equator.
- It's not "equal night." Although the word equinox comes from the Latin word "aequus" (equal) and "nox" (night), we do not get exactly 12 hours of daylight and 12 hours of darkness on the equinox. This is because of how the Earth's atmosphere refracts sunlight. The sun appears above the horizon even after it has technically set, according to the National Weather Service.
- Northern lights can be seen. Those hoping to catch a glimpse of the aurora borealis will find the weeks surrounding the autumnal equinox are the prime window to do so, according to NASA. Geomagnetic storms that trigger these stunning light displays occur twice as frequently around the fall and spring equinoxes compared to the summer and winter solstices.
- It's not always on the same day. The autumnal equinox does not fall on the same day each year. It usually lands on September 22 or 23, but it can occasionally occur on September 21 or 24 (in the northern hemisphere), indicates the U.S. Naval Observatory.

The autumnal equinox is a unique and often enjoyable day on the calendar.



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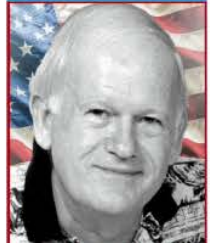
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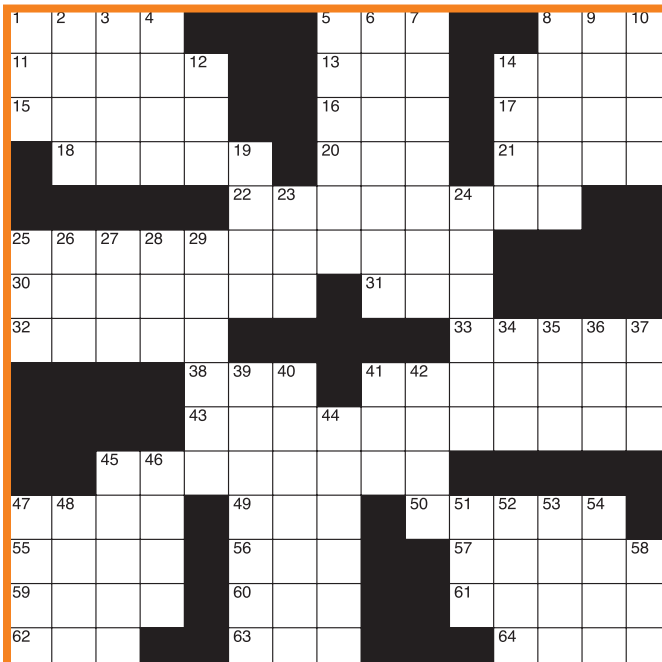


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- Don't forget it
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Honey can be consumed straight from the honeycomb, or used as an ingredient in many recipes. For those who prefer the latter, this recipe for "Honey-Glazed Sweet Potatoes and Squash With Chili and Halloumi" from Lines + Angles is sure to please.

Honey-Glazed Sweet Potatoes and Squash With Chili and Halloumi
(Makes 4 servings)

1 small butternut squash, peeled, seeded and cut into wedges ~ 2 large sweet potatoes, peeled and cut into wedges
3 tablespoons olive oil ~ 2 tablespoons honey ~ 2 red chili peppers, sliced ~ 1/2 pound halloumi, cubed
1/4 cup pumpkin seeds ~ 2 tablespoons sesame seeds ~ 2 tablespoons basil pesto
Kosher salt, to taste ~

Freshly ground black pepper, to taste

1. Preheat the oven to 375 F. Toss the squash and sweet potatoes with plenty of salt and pepper to taste in a large roasting pan.
2. Cover with foil and roast for 30 minutes. Discard the foil and pour out any liquid in the pan.
3. Stir in the olive oil, honey, chili peppers, halloumi, pumpkin seeds, and sesame seeds.
4. Roast uncovered until the halloumi and vegetables are golden, tossing once or twice, about 25 to 35 minutes.
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Does local honey alleviate allergies?

Spring and fall are peak times of the year for millions of people to experience seasonal allergies. Sneezing, watery eyes and stuffy noses can make enjoying the outdoors particularly difficult for people with seasonal allergies, and many seek any and all remedies that can help them find relief.

Raw, local honey is often presented as a means to alleviating allergies. Proponents say local honey acts like a natural vaccine when consumed. But does the science back up these claims?

The logic behind using local honey to address allergies is related to the concept of immunotherapy. Immunotherapy relies on exposing a person to small amounts of an allergen over time so the body can get used to it, says the American College of Allergy, Asthma, & Immunology. Since raw honey contains trace amounts of local plant pollen, the idea is that consuming small, consistent doses of this pollen can help desensitize the immune system, turning off its hyper-reactive response over time.

But some medical professionals say there is a flaw in this theory. That's because seasonal allergies are primarily triggered by lightweight, windborne pollens from trees, grasses and weeds. Bees tend to gather pollen from bright, flowering plants, which rarely cause seasonal allergies. So it's unlikely that local honey will contain the airborne allergens causing symptoms.

A well-known double-blind study conducted by researchers at the University of Connecticut compared local raw honey, commercial pasteurized honey and a honey-flavored placebo syrup. The researchers found no statistically significant difference in symptom reduction among the three groups.

But some studies point to the potential that local honey could be effective against allergies. According to a randomized, placebo-controlled trial in the East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia published in the Annals of Saudi Medicine, ingestion of a high daily dose of honey combined with an antihistamine resulted in continuous, significant improvement in allergic rhinitis. Another 2011 study published in The International Archives of Allergy and Immunology found patients consuming birch pollen-enriched honey experienced a 60 percent lower total symptom score and 70 percent fewer days with severe symptoms compared to a control group.

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"No, I really think librarians are the best; everything inside them is in alphabetical order," says the third surgeon.
"You know, I like construction workers...those guys always understand when you have a few parts left over at the end, and when the job takes longer than you said it would," says the fourth surgeon.
But the fifth surgeon shut them all up when he declares, "You're all wrong. Politicians are the easiest to operate on. There's no guts, no heart, and no spine, and the head and butt are interchangeable."

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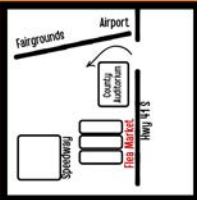
For example, older adults typically do not need to eat as much as a younger person. According to Dr. Sarah Booth, director and senior scientist at the Jean Mayer USDA Nutrition Research Center on Aging at Tufts University in Boston, when people age, they need fewer calories to maintain the same weight. Also, multiple changes occur with age, and those shifts affect how a body digests and uses the food a person eats. According to federal dietary guidelines, women 60 and older require between 1,600 and 2,200 calories per day. Men in this age group require 2,000 to 2,600 calories per day. Calories should come primarily from nutrient-dense foods, with an emphasis on vegetables, fruits, whole grains, lean meats, and low-fat dairy. Older adults need to make every calorie count, and they may need to work with a nutritionist to get the foods they need to stay healthy.





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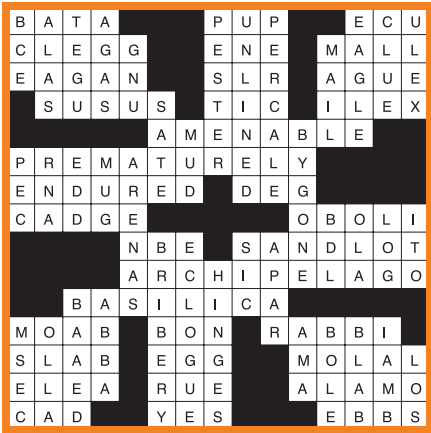
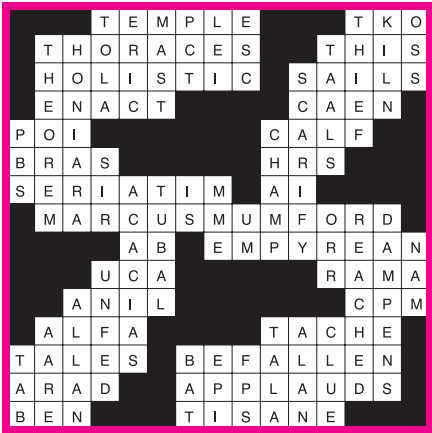


Inverness. Like new 2022 3 BR 2 BA 2 car garage with custom 20 FT wide driveway. Custom white fence around with two gates. Screen porch and outside, attached paver deck. Upgrade refrigerator, range, dishwasher. Custom closets and window treatments. Walk to shopping and movie if you want. Located between Ocala [Interstate 75] and Crystal River [State HWY 19].

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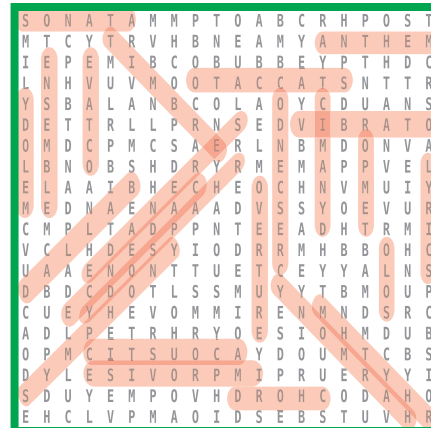
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THERE WERE 6 BEACH BALLS IN THE AUGUST EDITION.
WE HAD 3 WINNERS, 5 PEOPLE TO FIND THEM ALL AND 9 PLAYERS TOTAL. UNFORTUNATELY
WE ONLY WERE ABLE TO MEET UP WITH 2 OF THE WINNERS! MEET THEM BELOW !
THEY WERE HIDDEN ON PAGES 2, 10, 15, 19, 23, & 29!



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Ongoing Wish List

Purina Cat chow Complete (blue bag) ~ Clumping Litter ~ Pine Litter

Purina Kitten (yellow bag) ~ Adult Canned & Kitten Canned Pate

Cleaning Supplies ~ Dawn Dish Soap ~ Bleach ~ Paper Towels

Pee Pads ~ Odoban ~ Cat Toys ~ Straw Bedding



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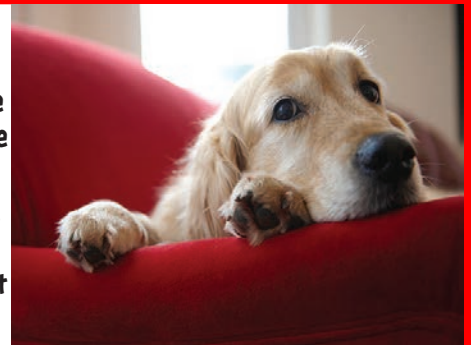
Signs your pet is in pain

Pets are cherished members of many families. Pet owners do whatever they can to ensure their companion animals are content and comfortable. But pets can be very good at hiding when they aren't feeling well, making it challenging for people to recognize when their animals need some extra comfort or medical care.

Pet owners may need some lessons in observing the subtle changes in their pets that may indicate an animal is in pain. Recognizing abnormalities can prevent a minor issue from becoming a major medical emergency. Here are some signs a pet is in pain, courtesy of the SPCA.

- **Withdrawal or hiding:** An animal that is sociable who suddenly starts hiding under a bed or in another out-of-the-way spot might be in pain.
- **Aggression:** Many times a pet will hiss, growl or snap when touched, especially if a person touches the part of the body that is in pain.
- **Clinginess:** Some pets will shadow a person constantly to seek extra reassurance when in pain.
- **Hunched back:** Dogs and cats with a rounded spine or tucked-in tail may have abdominal, spinal or back discomfort.
- **Lowered head:** An animal walking with a head that is level with or lower than the shoulders may indicate neck pain.
- **Grooming changes:** Some pets over-groom when they attempt to soothe localized pain. They may chew and lick a specific spot. Cats may completely stop grooming.
- **Appetite loss:** Pets with pain may be less inclined to eat. A sudden change in eating habits should be addressed with a veterinarian.
- **Heavy panting:** When a pet breathes heavily or pants while at rest and in a cool room, it could be a major red flag for acute pain or stress.

Pets in pain can exhibit subtle signs that can be easy to overlook. Any atypical behavior warrants a check-in with the vet.



Did you know?

Though it might be most instantly associated with a popular film directed by famed director Alfred Hitchcock, vertigo is a serious condition that can affect anyone in a household, including the family dog. Also known as vestibular disease, vertigo primarily affects older dogs. The vestibular system helps dogs maintain their balance, and vertigo is marked by the sudden disturbance of that balance. According to Union Animal Hospital in Spokane, Washington, dogs afflicted with vertigo usually stagger, but some may be unable to stand and, in rare cases, dogs may roll over and over. VCA Animal Hospitals notes that head tilt and a irregular jerking eye movements known as nystagmus are additional symptoms of vertigo in dogs. Various factors can cause vertigo in dogs, including inner ear infections, drugs that are toxic to the ear, trauma or injury, tumors, and hypothyroidism. Though symptoms of vertigo can be unsettling for dogs and their owners, VCA Animal Hospitals notes many pets begin to improve within 72 hours, and most fully recover within two to three weeks. Treatment for vertigo can be discussed with a veterinarian, and the persistence of symptoms for more than two to three weeks may indicate the presence of another underlying disorder.



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