

Jungle Friends Internship

Description and Application Procedures

Jungle Friends is a 501-(c)-3 non-profit sanctuary and home to over 100 new world primates (capuchins, squirrel monkeys, spider monkeys, marmosets and tamarins), most of which are ex-pets or retired from laboratory research or entertainment. We rehabilitate and socialize the monkeys with their own species. The males have vasectomies to prevent breeding.

Jungle Friends is located on 12 acres just outside Gainesville, Florida. The sanctuary is managed by the Founder/Executive Director, who lives on-site. There are generally four to six interns who also live on-site. Your own transportation is not required, but is recommended.

Your work will include general husbandry, cleaning, and feeding. It will also include building & repairing habitats, general grounds maintenance, and other labor or special projects as needed. You will participate in meal preparation and clean-up for communal meals, and are expected to keep your own quarters and shared living areas clean and neat.

Sanctuary work is labor intensive. Summer days in Florida are very hot and humid and in winter temperatures can drop to the 20's. The working hours are long, usually sun-up to sundown. In the summer this can mean 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. In the winter, heater checks are performed throughout the night. The work is demanding and can be stressful, but the rewards are great!

Qualifications

We are looking for very special people. You must be friendly and have good communication skills, work well with others and have the ability to lead others as well as follow. You must be even-tempered and down to earth. Interns are expected to embrace the communal, family-living style at the sanctuary while they are here. The successful intern will come to Jungle Friends with an open mind and open heart, ready to work hard and become a part of the Jungle Friends family. The number one rule at Jungle Friends is: the well-being of the monkeys always comes first!

We ask that intern applicants come to Jungle Friends for a 10-day trial period to evaluate your suitability for this position. If this is not possible, an exception can only be arranged through Kari Bagnall, our Executive Director. You must be in a position to make at least an 8-week commitment to Jungle Friends. Our internships are from 8 weeks to 1 year. We prefer longer internships.

Due to safety considerations, we will not consider applicants who smoke. An intern who is found to be smoking, whether on- or off-site, will be asked to leave immediately.

Internship Cost and Accommodations

There is a fee of \$75 per week of internship, to be paid in advance. For longer internships, the fee drops to \$50 a week after 4 months. Following the trial, the fee must be paid in full in order to reserve the dates for your internship. Scholarships may be available in cases of hardship.

Room and board are provided at the sanctuary. This is a vegetarian organization. No meat is allowed to be consumed, cooked or stored on Jungle Friends premises, and no animal products can be purchased for use at Jungle Friends. Jungle Friends opposes exploitation of animals.

After completing a 4-month internship, you may apply for a 1-year apprenticeship, which receives a \$500/month stipend. Apprenticeships are limited and awarded at the discretion of the Executive Director. Completion of an entry-level internship does not guarantee that an Apprenticeship will be awarded.

Application Procedure:

1. **Complete and return the Application.** (pages 8-9)
2. **Include your CV/resume.**
3. **Read, sign and return all of the following:**
 - Welcome Letter (page 4)
 - Jungle Friends Sanctuary Rules (page 5)
 - Release of Liability Waiver (page 6)
 - Applicant Questions (pages 10-15)
4. **Include a copy of your valid driver's license or other valid picture ID.**
5. **Include proof of current health insurance coverage.**
6. **Copy the Reference Form and distribute to at least 2 personal and 2 professional references. Ask them to fax, email or mail their reference directly to Jungle Friends.** (page 7)
7. **Be sure to keep copies of everything that you sign and send to Jungle Friends for your own records, in case the packet is lost in transit.**
8. **Print and read the Jungle Friends Procedures Manual.** This can be downloaded from www.junglefriends.org/proceduresmanual.pdf. If you are unable to print the file from the internet, email applicant@junglefriends.org and request to have the file emailed to you.
9. **Please put all of the Jungle Friends information in a binder, along with the Procedures Manual, and bring it with you to Jungle Friends.**

If you are offered the internship, you will be required to submit the following documents before you begin your internship.

1. **Please arrange with your local police department a criminal background check and submit to Jungle Friends (to be completed before trial date). If unable to provide this, please send \$30 for a background check with your application,**
2. **A copy of all current vaccinations, including a TB test.**

Interview:

Once we have your completed application and questionnaire (pages 8-15 of this packet), we will contact you to arrange a Skype interview. We will set a mutually workable time and date, the interview will last approximately 30 minutes.

Contact Info:

applicant@junglefriends.org
 Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary
 13915 North State Road 121
 Gainesville, FL 32653
www.junglefriends.org
 (386) 462-7779 Main Office
 (386) 418-0808 Fax

Sample Daily Schedules

Schedules are subject to change as needed

Spring and Summer *(Summer daylight hours are 6 am – 9 pm)*

6 – 8	Feed & Medicate monkeys. <i>Staff handles feeding and monkey medication. You may be asked to help with feeding depending upon available staff.</i>
8 – 12	Interns start morning chores
9 – 9:30	Staff Meeting
12 – 2	Lunch Break
2 – 6	Afternoon Chores
6 – 7	Dinner Break
7 – 9	As assigned or off.

Fall and Winter *(Winter daylight hours are 8 am – 6 pm)*

7 – 9	Feed & Medicate monkeys
9 – 1	Interns start morning chores
1 – 2	Lunch Break
2 – 6	Afternoon Chores
6 – 8	As assigned or off

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the schedule or internship in general, please discuss it with us prior to your arrival.

We want your stay at Jungle Friends to be a valuable learning experience and to inspire you to work toward a better life for captive primates, to support legislation banning the exotic pet trade and to help conserve natural habitats around the world.



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Welcome to Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary!

We are happy to have you as one of our valued interns. It is dedicated people like you who are willing to give their time and expertise that enable us to maintain a home for all our rescued primates. The monkeys are a huge responsibility and need us to care for them since humans have made sure they cannot care for themselves. The work is hard, the hours are long, the climate is hot and humid and the monkeys are not cuddly or appreciative. I can be very demanding and the monkeys will always come first. It can be very frustrating at times, but the rewards are immeasurable.

You will feel a sense of immense joy and accomplishment knowing that you are part of the Jungle Friends team - a team that is dedicated to bettering the lives of captive monkeys and to educating others of the need to protect these wild creatures' natural habitats.

When a monkey first arrives at Jungle Friends, his or her physical and psychological condition can be heartbreaking. Self-mutilation, pacing, and fearfulness of his or her-own species *and* humans are just a few of the neuroses that are commonly seen in abused and neglected captive primates. Upon seeing that same monkey slowly progress into a playful monkey that is socialized with his or her own species, the emotions you will undoubtedly feel are well worth the blood, sweat, and tears that you will inevitably shed during a long rehabilitation process.

For the well being of our jungle friends, we must maintain and enforce strict rules. Not following the rules, not complying with your immediate supervisor or insubordination could result in your immediate termination. We have a zero tolerance for malicious gossip or complaining to anyone who cannot help you. If you have a problem with someone, get with that person; if it is something that you cannot take care of on your own, get with me.

We ask that you arrive for all of your shifts on time, as it is important to the care-giving schedule, as well as the monkeys' emotional well being. We understand that you have a life and responsibilities outside of Jungle Friends; in turn, please understand that this sanctuary is the monkeys' entire life and existence. Let kindness be your guide.

Please read the rules carefully, and if you have any questions regarding a rule or why it is so important, please ask me or a staff member. Everyone is here to learn, so please ask as many questions as you like; only by learning more about these fascinating monkeys can we help them.

We look forward to seeing you and are sure you will find your experience at Jungle Friends fulfilling. You will create memories at Jungle Friends that will last a lifetime!

Thank you and lots of monkey love,
 Kari and the monks

Print name _____ Sign name _____ Date _____

JUNGLE FRIENDS PRIMATE SANCTUARY RULES

LEAVE YOUR EGOS AT THE GATE!

A successful caregiver at Jungle Friends is here for the monkeys

Please read the rules below and sign at the bottom, therefore acknowledging that you understand them. These rules are for your safety and the well being of the monkeys.

1. Due to insurance and health considerations, smoking is not permitted at Jungle Friends.
2. DO NOT come within 3 feet of the monkeys' habitats or put your hands on or in the enclosures.
3. DO NOT talk to any of the monkeys without specific permission from the team leader in charge.
4. DO NOT run around the premises or make loud noises - be respectful of the monkeys' space. Some monkeys do not like to be stared at, if they make it apparent that they don't want your company, avert your eyes and walk away. Please be considerate of their ways of communication.
5. DO NOT go into any enclosures where monkeys are present.
6. DO NOT come to Jungle Friends if you are ill or have a canker/cold sore, as you can transmit viruses.
7. DO NOT feed the monkeys or pick up and hand them food they drop. We must know exactly what they eat so that their diet remains balanced; we have several monkeys that require special diets.
8. Never touch the monkey's food once it is in their possession. Never hand food to the monkeys, as it can cause fights between them.
9. DO NOT ever take anything away from a monkey. If it is something they should not have, let your team leader know immediately.
10. DO NOT touch each other or hand anything to another person in the monkeys' presence.
11. When and *if* Kari or your team leader gives you permission, always talk to the monkeys in a low soothing voice. Monkeys are quiet creatures and communicate more through gesturing than vocalizations. Never use any negative words (such as no, don't, stop, bad, etc.) or argue in the monkeys' presence.
12. If you take something into an animal's space when cleaning, always remember to take it out, i.e. rags, brush, bucket, scissors etc.
13. While cleaning a habitat, always make sure the outside entry gate is closed while inside.
14. Always lock habitats before leaving the area, and have your locks double-checked by a team leader, who alone may give the monkeys access back into the area.
15. Always close gates and doors after entering or exiting.
16. Clean up after yourself and put away everything you use. A clean sanctuary is a happy sanctuary!
17. There is a sign in sheet. Always sign in and out.
18. If you do not understand the rules or have questions or concerns, please talk to Kari or our carestaff.

Print your name: _____

Signature _____ Date: ____/____/____

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Please read and be certain you understand the implications of signing.

EXPRESS ASSUMPTION OF RISK ASSOCIATED WITH WORKING WITH EXOTIC ANIMALS INCLUDING MONKEYS, MACAWS AND COCKATOOS.

I _____ do hereby affirm and acknowledge that I have been fully informed of the inherent risks and hazards associated with volunteer and caregiver duties on a site where exotic animals including monkeys, macaws and cockatoos habitat. I have read the Jungle Friends Rules and I understand them and agree to abide by them. I fully understand that these risks and hazards can lead to severe injuries from bites and scratches from the exotic animals that habitat Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary, as well as risks associated with manual labor at Jungle Friends. I understand that there are only limited medical care capabilities on site at Jungle Friends Primary Sanctuary and that in the event of accident I may need to call upon the services of the Alachua County Emergency Medical Services or a Gainesville, FL area hospital at my own expense. Despite the potential hazards and dangers associated to the care of exotic animals and manual labor, I wish to proceed and I freely accept and expressly assume all risks, dangers and hazards that may arise from volunteering or working at Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary, which could result in personal injury, loss of life and property damage to me.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:

In consideration of being allowed to volunteer or work at Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary, as well as the use of any of the facilities and the use of the equipment of the below listed releasees, I hereby agree as follows:

1. TO WAIVE AND RELEASE ANY AND ALL CLAIMS based upon negligence, active or passive with the exception of intentional, wanton or willful misconduct that I may have in the future against any of the following named persons or entities (hereafter referred to Releasees): Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary, Kari Bagnall as well as all staff, interns and volunteers associated with Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary.
2. To release the releasees, their officers, directors, employees, representatives, agents and volunteers, from liability and responsibility, whatsoever, for any claims or causes of action that I, my estate, heirs, executors or assigns may have for personal injury, property damage or wrongful death arising from Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary activities whether caused by active or passive negligence of the releasees or otherwise with the exception of gross negligence. By executing this document, I agree to hold the releasees harmless for any injury or loss of life, which may occur to me during Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary activities.
3. By entering into this agreement, I am not relying on any oral or written representation or statements made by the releasees, other than what is set forth in this agreement. I further agree that this Agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, United States of America.
4. If any provision of this release is found to be unenforceable or invalid, that provision shall be severed from this contract. The remainder of this contract will then be construed as though the unenforceable provision had never been contained in this document.

I hereby declare that I am of legal age and am competent to sign this Agreement or, if not, that my parent or legal guardian shall sign on my behalf, and that my parent or legal guardian is in complete understanding and concurrence with this agreement.

I AM 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AND I HAVE READ THIS AGREEMENT, I UNDERSTAND IT, AND I AGREE TO BE BOUND BY IT.

Signature of participant: _____ /____/____

Witness (Print Name): _____ Signature: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian if Participant is a Minor, and by their signature they, on my behalf release all claims that both they and I have: _____ /____/____

JUNGLE FRIENDS SUPERVISOR CONFIRMATION

I HAVE REVIEWED THIS AGREEMENT AND CONFIRM THAT IT HAS BEEN PROPERLY COMPLETED.

Signature of Supervisor: _____ /____/____

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Voice: 386-462-7779 Fax: 386-418-0808

Email: applicant@junglefriends.org

Website: www.JungleFriends.org

Applicant's Name: _____ Position Desired: _____

Dear Sir or Madam,

The above applicant has given us your name as a personal or professional reference. We would like you to estimate his/her ability, character, leadership skills and initiative. Your comments are confidential.

Please take into consideration as you complete this reference the personal qualities necessary to an individual working with New World Monkeys. Please answer all questions and feel free to make additional comments. Thank you for your cooperation.

In what capacity have you known the applicant? _____ How long? _____

Describe the applicant's state of health and vitality, including limitations if any:

What skills can the applicant, to your knowledge, contribute to a sanctuary program in dealing with new world monkeys?

If the applicant is a past employee, would you rehire? _____ If no, please explain: _____

Personal Appraisal: Based on your knowledge of the applicant. Please check the appropriate column.

A = Outstanding B = Above Average C = Average D = Unsatisfactory ? = Insufficient opportunity to observe

	A	B	C	D	?	Comments
CONSIDERATION: Courteous in daily contacts, tempers criticism with tact, can advise without causing resentment						
FLEXIBILITY: Able to adjust to changes in working conditions, to cope with discomfort and stress.						
SENSITIVITY TO ANIMALS: Is sensitive to needs, problems of animals; relates well to them.						
LEADERSHIP: Has ability to supervise others and hold their respect; maintains a quiet but firm control.						
EMOTIONAL STABILITY: Shows judgment and acts quickly in an emergency situation; not easily upset or angered.						
INVOLVEMENT: Willing to become fully involved with others in his/her work.						
COOPERATION: A good team worker and maintains cordial staff relations.						
DEPENDABILITY: Accepts responsibility and can be trusted to carry out his/her job; requires little supervision.						
INITIATIVE: Thinks along original lines; sees new possibilities; willing to attempt the untried, if reasonable.						

Additional Comments:

Your Name: _____ Signature: _____

Telephone number: _____ - _____ - _____ Time best to call _____

Position: _____ Date: ____/____/____

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Please
attach a
photo here

Please print legibly and in ink.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of application: _____

Name: _____ Date of birth _____ Date: _____

Mailing Address: _____ Social Security Number (US residents): _____ - _____ - _____

_____ Phone: _____

_____ Email: _____

Marital Status: _____ Must spouse, children or pets accompany you here? _____

Emergency Contact Information: Health Insurance Provider/policy number: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Evening Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____ Address: _____

Dates interested for internship: ____/____/____ to ____/____/____ Available from ____/____/____ to ____/____/____

College	Major Subjects	Dates Attended	Degree Awarded

Personal References: List at least 2 persons, NOT RELATED TO YOU OR LISTED PREVIOUSLY, who have knowledge of your qualifications applicable for the intern position. Enter the names of persons who have known you for at least 6 months. If additional space is required, please list on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this application.

Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Professional References: List at least 2 persons, NOT RELATED TO YOU OR LISTED PREVIOUSLY, who have knowledge of your qualifications for the position(s) that you are applying. Enter the names of employers, teachers and/or co-workers. If additional space is required, please list on a separate sheet of paper and attach to this application.

Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone: (____) _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Dates	Employer/ Supervisor	Company Name, complete address & phone	Nature of Work	Position
From: ____/____/____ To: ____/____/____				
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From: ____/____/____ To: ____/____/____				

How did you hear about Jungle Friends? _____

List work in similar areas: _____

Why do you want to work at Jungle Friends? _____

Please check all skills that apply: Microsoft Word ____, Excel ____, PowerPoint ____, Access ____, Quick Books ____, HTML ____,
 Bookkeeping ____, Carpentry ____, Plumbing ____, Refrigeration ____, Air Conditioning ____,
 Auto Mechanic ____, Electrical ____, Insulation ____, Dry Wall ____, Tile Setter ____, Gardener ____, Landscape ____,

Do you have any impairment, physical or mental, that would interfere with your ability to as an intern? _____
 If so, what? _____

Have you had any criminal convictions? _____ If yes explain: _____

List all States that you have lived in within the last 7 years: _____

Driver's License:
 Do you have a valid license? _____

State: _____ Number: _____ Type (CDL, Chauffeur or Operator): _____

Agreement: I certify that the answers given herein are true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I authorize investigation of all statements contained in this application for internship as may be necessary in arriving at a decision. After acceptance, I understand that false or misleading information given in my application or interview(s) may result in discharge. I understand also, that I am required to abide by all rules and regulations of Jungle Friends Primate Sanctuary.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: ____/____/____

All statements become part of any future personnel files.

Applicant Questions

Please answer the questions below individually and completely. Use another sheet if there is insufficient room.

1. What are your future goals...Where do you see yourself in 2 years, 5 yrs, and 10 yrs?
2. What will you offer Jungle Friends? What do you feel Jungle Friends has to offer you?
3. Have you ever worked doing physical labor? Sanctuary work is very labor intensive, are you in good physical shape?
4. How many hours do you sleep on average? Do you nap during the day?
5. What time do you get up in the morning? Do you need an alarm clock to rise early? What time do you wake up naturally?
6. Do you smoke? Do drugs? Drink to excess?
7. What bad habits do you have?
8. What good habits do you have?
9. How would you rate yourself as far as integrity and commitment?

10. Which word(s) best describes you? Intense, free-spirited, easy going, non-conformist / conformist, fickle, dogmatic, tenacious, extrovert / introvert, serious, witty or ambitious?
11. Are you able to follow directions? Could you give an example?
12. Do you consider yourself a leader & motivator or a follower? Are you a self-starter? Explain.
13. Are you a “starter” a “finisher” or do you follow through on a project from start to finish? Give us an example.
14. How do you learn, are you visual, auditory or tactile?
15. On an average, how long do you hold a job?
16. Can you make a six-week commitment to JF? Eight weeks, 4 months, 6 months or a year?
17. Do you work well with others? Give us an example.
18. Give us an example where it was difficult to work with others.
19. Do you make friends easily? Do you have many friends?

20. What are your best qualities?

21. What are your weaknesses?

22. In *one* word describe yourself. _____

23. How would your best friend describe you? Your parents? (Ask them)

24. What are your hobbies and interests?

25. Give an example of an emergency and how you handled it.

26. Give an example of a conflict between you and a co-worker and how it was handled.

27. What do you think you would you do in the event of a monkey escape?

28. How would you prevent an animal escape?

29. What would you do if you saw someone at Jungle Friends acting inappropriately with a monkey?

30. What would you do if you saw an injured animal in the road?

31. What animal experience do you have, personal / on the job?

32. Do you have pets? What arrangements have you made for them while you intern?

33. Do you consider yourself an advocate for animal rights or for animal welfare? Please explain.

34. If during your internship, a visitor came who was an animal researcher, a “pet” monkey owner or someone who owned or traded in exotic animals, how do you think you might react?

35. What are your views on captive wildlife?

36. Describe your diet? For instance, are you an omnivore, a vegetarian or a vegan?

37. Give an example of an experience you have had with someone whose lifestyle was different from yours.

38. Give us an example of a lifestyle or culture for which you would find it difficult to adjust.

39. Describe any prejudices you have.

40. How do you cope with isolation? Will you get lonely for your friends and relatives? Have you ever been away from home? If so, for how long?

41. Do you have a valid driver's license? Will you have a vehicle during your internship?

42. If a Genie granted you three wishes what would they be?

1.

2.

3.

I have answered the Applicant Questions truthfully and to the best of my ability.

Signature

Date

What to bring:

(As little as possible)

1. **REQUIRED: Rubber boots.**
2. Covered shoes, such as work boots or tennis shoes. Open shoes such as flip-flops, sandals, Crocs are not permitted for work.
3. Lightweight t-shirts or scrubs, they dry quickly (it is hot & wet in the summer), short and long sleeves.
4. Durable shorts & long pants with pockets
5. Rain poncho or rain jacket and rain pants and umbrella
6. Work gloves
7. Insect repellent
8. Sunglasses and hat.
9. If your internship is during the winter months, you will also need warm clothing, including hat, gloves and jacket. The temperatures drop into the 20's at night; and daytime temperatures are variable.
10. Flashlight and batteries.
11. Alarm clock (battery operated)
12. Personal items: soap, deodorant, shampoo, etc.
13. Twin sheets, pillow and towel.
14. Any special foods, drinks or medications such as aspirin, allergy pills, etc.
15. Laptop computer. Internet access is available, but you must provide your own computer. Office computers are NOT available for intern use.
16. A cellular phone. If you don't have a cell phone, you will need a phone card for any long-distance calls.
17. Binder with printed copy of Procedures Manual and notebook.
18. A strong back, your compassion, integrity, commitment to the monkeys in our care and a sense of humor is a must!
19. Swimming suit; you never know, you may get a chance to go to the river, lake or beach.

Transportation to Jungle Friends

As soon as you have your travel plans finalized, please send us the details. These should include the following:

1. Date of arrival
2. Method of transportation
3. If flying, name of airline, arrival airport, flight number and expected time of arrival.
4. If traveling by car, please give us an estimated date and time of arrival. Call ahead when near.

If you need to be picked up at the Gainesville airport or bus station: 1) notify us in advance and be sure that you receive a reply confirming that we received your schedule. 2) Phone us when you are boarding for the last leg so we will know if your arrival time has changed. (If you are unable to contact us for any reason before boarding, call us as soon as you arrive; the airport is about 20 minutes from the sanctuary). Watch for a vehicle with Jungle Friends signs.

Air Travel

There are four airports that are most frequently chosen for travel to Gainesville. They are listed below in order of proximity.

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|---------------------|-----|--------------------------------------|
| 1. Gainesville, FL | GNV | 11 miles or 18 K to Jungle Friends |
| 2. Jacksonville, FL | JAX | 82 miles or 130 K to Jungle Friends |
| 3. Orlando, FL | MCO | 131 miles or 211 K to Jungle Friends |
| 4. Tampa, FL | TPA | 147 miles or 237 K to Jungle Friends |

For Gainesville arrivals, Jungle Friends staff will pick you at the airport -- see instructions above. If flying into an airport other than Gainesville (GNV), you will need to arrange your own transportation to Gainesville and let us know where and when to pick you up.

There is a shuttle service from the Jacksonville airport to Gainesville. Contact Runways for information or reservations: call 1-800-578-6929 or www.rnwy.com.

If you are arriving in Orlando, you can take the Greyhound to Gainesville, www.greyhound.com. You will need to get a cab from the airport to the Greyhound terminal www.taxiorlando.com. Be sure to check prices and schedules ahead of time.

If you are able to rent a car from the Orlando, Jacksonville or Tampa airport, it is less costly to arrange a rental from the airport to the Gainesville airport prior to your arrival and then we can pick you up at the Gainesville airport.

Jungle Friends Directions

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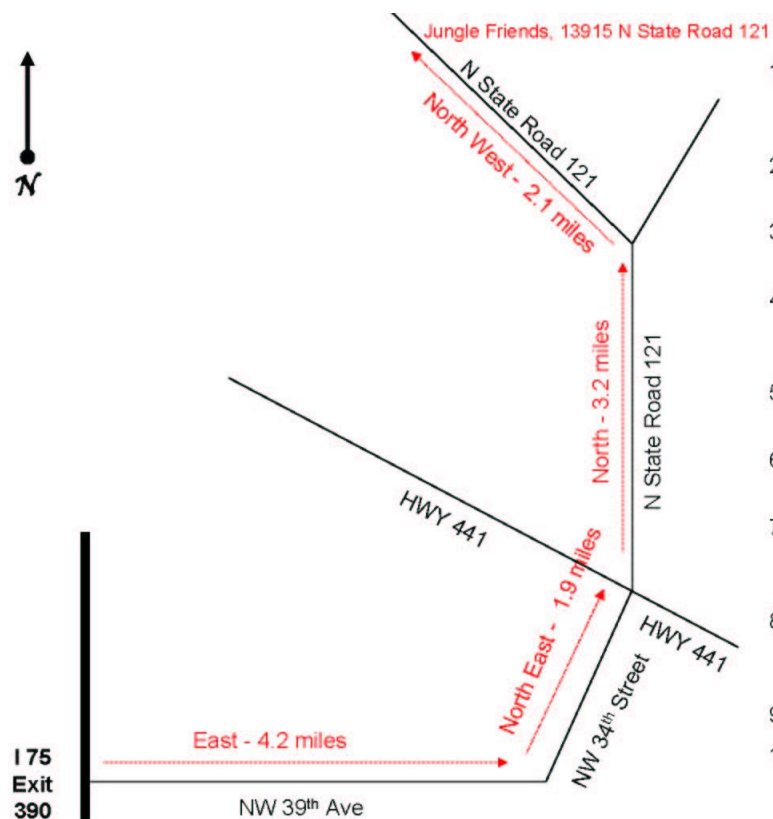
You will find a map on the website: www.junglefriends.org/map.shtml

From Gainesville...Get to the corner of 441 (13th Street) and 121 (34th St/22nd St); the highway patrol station is on this corner. Go north on 121, toward Lacrosse, for 5 miles (use your odometer). You will come to a fork in the road, stay to the left *on* 121, you are now only a couple of miles away, start looking for the yellow "Monkey Crossing" sign on our mail box post, we are on the right. (If you see 142nd Ave you've gone too far.) As you turn in the driveway you will see a Jungle Friends sign with an arrow pointing to the parking lot. Park near the walk-through gate, call us on a cell phone to unlock the gate or ring cow bell, we *should* hear you.

If you are traveling North on I-75...get off on 222, exit 390 (also known as old exit 77) go right (east) on 222 (also 39th Ave) 4 miles to 121 (also 34th street) and go left toward Lacrosse, continue 7 miles and we are on the right. You will come to a fork in the road, stay to the left *on* 121, you are now only a couple of miles away, start looking for the yellow "Monkey Crossing" sign on our mail box post, we are on the right. We are just this side (south) of 142 Ave. You will see our sign as you turn in, just follow the arrow and park near the walk-through gate and call us on a cell phone to unlock the gate or ring cow bell, we *should* hear you.

If you are traveling south on I-75... you will want to get off on Exit 79 and go east. They are changing the exit numbers, but it should still say "old 79" so be aware of that. I believe this is CR 236. You will proceed approximately 10 miles on CR 236 until you run into SR 121. When you run into SR 121 take a right so you are traveling south. Go approximately another 10 miles. You will go through the town of Lacrosse and past NW 156 Ave. When you pass NW 142 Ave. start slowing down because we are the second mailbox on the left, start looking for the yellow "Monkey Crossing" sign on our mailbox post. Pull into the driveway, follow the arrow and park near the walk-through gate and call us on a cell phone to unlock the gate or ring cow bell, we *should* hear you.

If you are traveling south on State Road 121... from Lacrosse, we are about 4 miles on the left the second driveway past 142 Ave. (see above).



1. From I 75, turn east on exit 390 (mile marker 390) onto NW 39th Ave.
2. Travel 4.2 miles (east) and turn left on NW 34th Street.
3. Travel 3.2 miles (north-east) to HWY 441.
4. Cross HWY 441. NW 34th becomes N State Road 121.
5. Travel 3.2 Miles (north) to where SR 121 forks.
6. Take the left fork (north-west) and travel 2.1 miles.
7. Jungle Friends is on the right (east) side of the road as you face north.
8. Look for the Monkey Crossing sign on the mail box post.
9. 13915 N State Road 121
10. 386.462.7779