



OFFICIAL COMPANION GUIDE UPDATE April-June 2020

Welcome back, resident!

Island life never gets dull, and many surprises can come your way. This update to Animal Crossing: New Horizons' Official Companion Guide will help you navigate the new events and get to know the bright new faces coming to your island! Whatever your expectations for your personal island getaway may be, this small extension to our book will help you get

them under way. This PDF primarily focuses on new features added to the game with the 1.2 update. In the full book, you'll find useful information on every topic an expert needs to build a thriving island community. As long as new island friends keep arriving, you can keep building an even better community and we can keep on improving our companion guide!



Leif the Sloth

"Oh, yes. I'd love to introduce you to all the little seeds and saplings I've got with me today."



Leif will first open up his stall from 5AM - 10PM, Sunday through Friday from May 1st until May 7th for the Nature Day event. After this period, he'll become part of the regular visitor rotation on your island. From his stall, he'll sell you two breeds of shrub (offering one or two colors of each), and six different bags of flowers seeds. These include two colors of the current seasonal shrubs and the varieties of a random other shrub type on each visit.

You can also ask Leif to buy up any weeds you pluck! He'll buy weeds at double the price Timmy and Tommy do, a whopping 20 bells per clump! Who knew that being kind to the environment could be so fun?

Shrubs

You can buy shrub starters from Leif at his stall. He sells them individually or in stacks of five. In your inventory, up to ten of the same shrub starters can stack up in one slot. Uprooted plants, however, will take up entire individual slots. For more information on these new plants on your island, head over to page 5 of this update.



Did You Know?

Despite Leif's best efforts to keep the environment weed free and ecosystems healthy, he has a tendency to get sleepy at inopportune times. Sometimes he gets drowsy while tending his own stall.

Biography

Birthday August 8th

First Appearance Animal Crossing: New Leaf (2012)

Leif first appeared in Animal Crossing: New Leaf as an essential part of Main Street. He ran the Gardening store, providing seeds and saplings as well as house plants and fertilizer. He could even sometimes be seen offering to pick weeds around town.

Island Role As a nature enthusiast, Leif's job is to help your island's ecosystem flourish and thrive. In the plaza, Leif will offer you new types of flora for your island.



Shrubs will bud a day before they bloom, and each type of shrub will only bloom during a particular season.



New Character



Redd

“There’s nothing finer than fine art and rare furniture, am I right?”



Island Role With a ship name like *Jolly Redd’s Treasure Trawler*, Redd is definitely not going to stir up trouble. Redd will sell you art and furniture whenever he drops anchor.

Redd will start showing up after you’ve spoken to Blathers about expanding the museum to include an art gallery—you must have made at least 60 donations to the museum for this to happen. During the daily announcement, there will be a warning about a suspicious character being on the island, and this shady fox will be wandering around near the plaza. Turns out, he might not be so bad, because for the humble price of 4,980 Bells he’ll give you the first piece of art needed to expand your museum. A few days afterward, you may catch him wandering your island again and he’ll offer you the deal of a lifetime: the chance to buy his wares on his ship, which will dock on your northernmost beach from 5AM to 10PM on any day of the week.

There are two easy tricks to discovering if Redd is on your island without making the trek up north: The first method is to look from afar for the telltale, black smoke spewing from his Treasure Trawler. The second method is to use your NookPhone to open up your Map application. If you see his gingko leaf icon on your beach, then he’s definitely there!



Spotting Fakes

When observing Redd’s wares, you’ll have the option to take a closer look at each piece. You’ll be able to zoom in and move the camera across the various pieces to keep an eye out for any funny business. All of Redd’s art pieces are based on real, famous art pieces in our world. The ‘famous painting’ for instance is Da Vinci’s incredibly recognizable Mona Lisa. This means you can compare it to the art piece that exists in real life.

His store sells four pieces of art and two pieces of furniture per visit. Be careful, though! Redd’s wares aren’t always genuine. You might accidentally buy a fake. You can only buy one piece of art per day, but you can buy as much furniture as you want while he’s around. All art will cost you 4,980 Bells. All his furniture, however, will be sold at a 50% higher price than it would be at Nook’s Cranny. When you buy from him, your art piece will arrive in the mail the following day.

Collective Buying

While you may not be able to buy all the art he has to offer in a day, your friends can buy different pieces from him. This includes both other island residents and visitors. Take advantage of this collectively to lower the chances of missing out on a genuine piece of art.

Biography

Birthday	October 18th
First Appearance	Animal Crossing (2001)

Redd has been around since the very beginning of *Animal Crossing*, doing the same shady business he’s always done. He would show up in your town at random, selling various wares and occasionally paintings in his tent. In other games he’s set up shop in alleyways, even dabbling in insurance scams. This fox has got quite the history.

Did You Know?

There’s an unspoken rivalry between **Redd** and Tom Nook. From price gouging to keeping his store open later than Nook’s various outlets, Redd has been trolling Tom since the original *Animal Crossing*.



Museum Expansion

Opening Hours: 24 hours a day

Art Gallery

As your museum develops, you may notice that Blathers has interest in expanding your island's culture even further. After you've donated a combined total of 60 fish, fossils or insects, he will suggest expanding the museum to encompass a fine art exhibition. When you donate your first piece of art, the museum will expand to include an entirely new gallery on the second floor. The pieces on display include paintings and statues from all over the world. Unlike with the fish, fossils and bugs, fun facts for these art pieces will be displayed within the exhibit itself. In total there are 43 pieces of art to collect: 13 statues, and 30 paintings.

Art Assessment

In your dealings with Redd, you may come across many pieces of fine art. Take these to Blathers, and he can evaluate statues and paintings for their authenticity. If he comes across a fake, he'll let you know. He can evaluate more than one piece at a time, but any counterfeit pieces will be left in your inventory. Fake art also cannot be sold to Timmy and Tommy, so be careful with what you buy!



● Statues

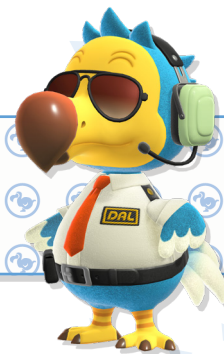
Item	Fake indication
<input type="checkbox"/> ancient statue	Antennas stick up on the head.
<input type="checkbox"/> beautiful statue	The statue has a necklace.
<input type="checkbox"/> familiar statue	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> gallant statue	There's a book under the right arm.
<input type="checkbox"/> great statue	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> informative statue	The statue is blue, instead of gray.
<input type="checkbox"/> motherly statue	The tongue is sticking out.
<input type="checkbox"/> mystic statue	A long earring dangles on right side.
<input type="checkbox"/> robust statue	There's a watch on their right wrist.
<input type="checkbox"/> rock-head statue	The fake is smiling.
<input type="checkbox"/> tremendous statue	There's a lid covering the top.
<input type="checkbox"/> valiant statue	Steps forward with their left foot.
<input type="checkbox"/> warrior statue	Leans forward on a shovel.

● Paintings

Item	Fake indication
<input type="checkbox"/> academic painting	Coffee stain in upper right corner.
<input type="checkbox"/> amazing painting	The central subject is missing a hat.
<input type="checkbox"/> basic painting	Boy has bangs that cover forehead.
<input type="checkbox"/> calm painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> common painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> detailed painting	Purple flowers instead of blue.
<input type="checkbox"/> dynamic painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> famous painting	Mona Lisa has raised eyebrows.
<input type="checkbox"/> flowery painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> glowing painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> graceful painting	Less empty space atop; or facing left.
<input type="checkbox"/> jolly painting	No flower coming from the chest.
<input type="checkbox"/> moody painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> moving painting	Missing trees in upper right corner.
<input type="checkbox"/> mysterious painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> nice painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> perfect painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> proper painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> quaint painting	The woman pours a lot of milk.
<input type="checkbox"/> scary painting	Eyebrows point up or he's smiling.
<input type="checkbox"/> scenic painting	Only one person leads the dogs.
<input type="checkbox"/> serene painting	Pet has raccoon-like dark patches.
<input type="checkbox"/> sinking painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> solemn painting	Man in back points his hand upward.
<input type="checkbox"/> twinkling painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> warm painting	No fake exists.
<input type="checkbox"/> wild painting left half	Green instead of white.
<input type="checkbox"/> wild painting right half	White instead of green.
<input type="checkbox"/> wistful painting	Wears star earrings; or closed eyes.
<input type="checkbox"/> worthy painting	No fake exists.

New Dodo Airlines Options

Upon arrival at Harvey's Island, there are two new features as of the April Update: delivery and liquidation!



Delivery

If you're getting a nifty new prize from Harvey's Island, you may want to have some of those extra items in your pockets delivered back to your home. These items will be delivered free of cost to your house's storage. This feature will not apply to items that normally cannot be held in your storage, such as dug up flowers.



Liquidate

If your pockets happen to be full of things you didn't plan on keeping anyway, Wilbur can liquidate these assets into Bells. The Bells received from these transactions will be added to your Drop-off Box pool. Items sold to Wilbur will have the same sale rate as normal Drop-off Box sales.



New Plants

Shrubs are a unique new plant that work great for dividing or decorating sections of your island without taking up much space.



Shrubs



You can buy shrub starters from Leif at his stall. They appear as bushes unless their flower is in season, in which the flowers will bloom. Buy plenty of them—shrubs cannot be bred the way flowers can. They're also useful for catching snails, which can appear on the shrubs when it's raining. To plant a shrub start, open your inventory and select the shrub icon, and then select the option "Plant 1". You can also dig a hole with your shovel to plant a shrub in a specific spot in front of your character.

Planting it will cause a nursery shrub to sprout on the same tile your character is standing on. Shrubs reach maturity in four days, after three previous stages of growth: nursery, young and bush. Shrubs are resilient plants and don't require watering to grow. They're also able to grow right next to each other, unlike trees, which require more room. Shrubs can be relocated with a shovel without any energy, even when they are fully grown. In your inventory, up to 10 of the same shrub starters can stack up in one slot. Uprooted plants, however, will take up entire individual slots.

Blooming times

	Camellias (red & pink) ● Early January to late March ● 2nd half of June to late September	
	Azaleas (white & pink) ● Early April to late May ● Early October to late November	
	Hydrangeas (blue & pink) ● Early June to mid July ● Early December to mid January	
	Hibiscus (yellow & red) ● Late July to mid September ● Late January to mid March	
	Tea Olive (orange & yellow) ● Late September to late October ● Late March to late April	
	Holly (no color variants) ● Early November to late December ● Early May to 1st half of June	

New Event

Bunny Day



Zipper the Bunny is a special friend who hid DIY recipes and treats from the 1st until the 12th of April. From then on, six types of eggs were hidden around the island: in the ground, in trees, in the water, in stones and even in the sky. These candy eggs could be eaten or used to build special, exclusive Bunny Day furniture.

On Bunny Day, April 12, the beloved Zipper showed back up on the island in the middle of the plaza, where he gave away a fun recipe for a Bunny Day Arch. Anyone who crafted each of the Bunny Day recipes (clothing excluded), also got a recipe for a special wobbling Zipper toy. After crafting this recipe, the final Bunny Day item was awarded: the Bunny Day wand. There were two more services that Zipper provided: exchanging your eggs for a prize, or trading three of one type of egg for one of another type.

"I know what you're thinking. No. This is NOT a costume. And don't you go snoopin', got it?"

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New Event

Nature Day

Your island thrives best when nature is allowed to flourish. From April 23rd to May 4th, your island's residents and friends helped you celebrate the beauty of the outdoors with special Nature Day events.

Anyone who talked to Tom Nook in Resident Services would learn everything they needed to know about Nature Day, including details of the limited time Nature Day Nook Miles+ Challenges. Once a day, these Nature Day Nook Miles+ Challenges could give you an extra boost in Nook Miles! Finish one of these new Nook Miles+ challenges for the first time, and the next day he rewarded you with special hedge. This fencing could be crafted using 10 weeds, 5 branches, and 2 stones. Nature Day was a period of time where you could really rack up more Nook Miles, and fast!

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New April-June 2020 Events

New Event

May Day

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On this special day an announcement was made that Nook Inc. will be offering a special gift for all of its hard-working residents at Resident Services. This gift included a special May Day tour, on an island set up for leisure and fun. Anyone who spoke to Tom Nook at Resident Services could then collect their ticket to May Day fun from Dodo Airlines. This ticket could be redeemed at any point from

May 1st until the 7th. When you set out to fly, Orville would hold onto your belongings for you, leaving you empty handed for a while. Don't worry! You always got your stuff back when you returned.

Upon landing, Wilbur informed you that the whole island is a maze. The maze was composed of hedges, shrubs, trees, rocks and single tiles of water. You had to jump, dig, smash and build your way to a special prize waiting for you at the end. The effort was definitely worth it, because reaching the end brought you face-to-face with an old friend, a lovely prize and maybe even some Bells.



New April-June 2020 Events

New Event

Wedding Season

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Your first summertime on the island was sure to be full of fun and sun! Love was in the air! Wedding season started on June 1st and brought you to Harvey's island, where Cyrus and Reese, familiar faces for Animal Crossing veterans, were looking for a photographer for their anniversary photos. The event rewarded you with heart crystals and wedding items; the crystals could be exchanged with Cyrus for limited edition wedding season furniture.



garden, and any furniture traded through Cyrus would show up in your mailbox the next day. You could order a maximum of eight wedding items from Cyrus each day.

To unlock all purchasable furniture and DIY recipes, you had to have participated in at least six shoots for the event. There are twenty-six wedding items, clothes included, to collect. The wedding furniture set comes in three styles: cute, chic and

