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Summertime Indoor Comfort Demands Efficient HVAC

Air-Tro Can Help You Keep Costs Under Control.

With summertime upon us, high performance air conditioning is a must. But is your system up to the task? Here are some questions to ask when it comes to evaluating your current equipment.

What's the Age of Your System?

Most HVAC systems have a lifespan of 10-15 years. If your equipment is within this range, all it likely needs is some

routine maintenance to get ready for triple digit temps. Clean the coils, replace the filter, and check to see if the outlet air temperature is 18° to 22° cooler than the inlet air temperature.

If the range is lower than 18°, you may have a refrigerant leak; if it's over 22° you may have a blockage or constriction in your ductwork. Check it out before the weather gets too hot; you'll be glad you took the extra time now to save hassles later.

Is It Energy Efficient?

Energy efficiency is always a crucial factor to consider. The fact is that older HVAC systems do consume more energy, resulting in higher utility bills. If your equipment is older than 20 years, you're not only risking the possibility of expensive repairs but you're also likely spending far more than necessary on maintaining indoor comfort.

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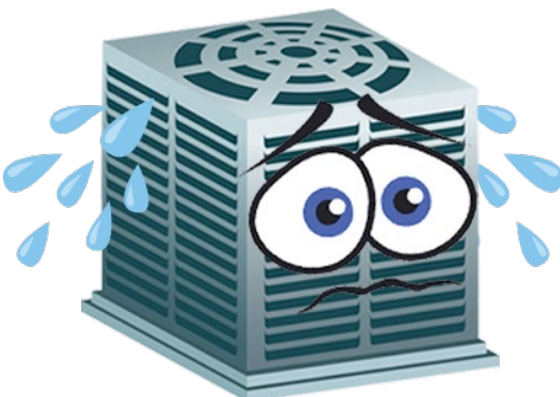
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Joke Time!

Q: What do you call a country where the people drive only pink cars?

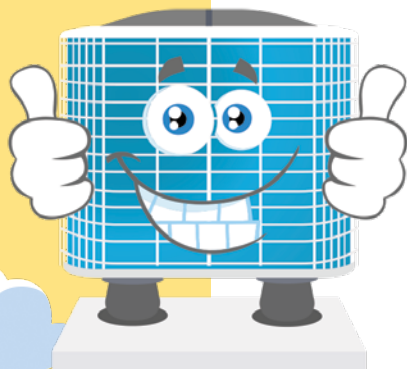
A: A pink carnation.

Q: What does your car need for an all night trip?

A: Midnight oil

Q: What's the difference between weather and climate?

A. You can't weather a tree, but you can climate.



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And with today's energy and tax rebates, there's never been a better time to replace what you have. Modern HVAC offers higher SEER (Seasonal Energy Efficiency Ratio) ratings and more.

A top-of-the-line system can cut your cooling bill in half, with the peace of mind that comes from knowing everything you're buying is brand new. Manufacturers will have to retool their factories by year's end to accommodate new refrigerant mandates, so expect prices to be higher in 2025.

Cost-Benefit Analysis

Have doubts on how useful a new or improved air conditioning system might be?

Your past year's energy bills and HVAC repair bills will tell the real story. Remember, while the initial investment in new equipment can seem significant, the long-term savings often make this investment a no-brainer.

Keeping costs low while maintaining indoor comfort is everyone's priority. Take action now to preserve, upgrade or replace your system as needed, and you'll enjoy cool comfort all summer long.



Summertime Kids: Local Fun and Learning

Though times have changed from the summers of our own childhoods, this is still the season for kids to relax, explore, and make unforgettable memories. Here are some easy local resources for your family during the sunniest days of the year.

Travel Town

From 1952, this museum and outdoor display of train cars has been a favorite for lots of littles, many now since grown! With real train cars that kids and their handlers can climb on and explore, Travel Town

is a must for parents of young children throughout Los Angeles. Special exhibits are also found in the brick building at the center of Travel Town.

*5200 Zoo Drive, Griffith Park
10AM to 5PM, every day except Christmas.*

The Huntington Museum and Gardens

While the museum has plenty of paintings, sculptures and photography for older kids to see, the children's garden is a great place for kids to romp while supervised, of course. The Japanese Heritage Shōya House is an actual restored residential compound from the 19th century. Say hello to the koi!

*1151 Oxford Road, San Marino
Open 10AM-5PM, Closed on Tuesdays*



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Natural History Museum of Los Angeles

Hugely popular with local school kids and campers, our city's Natural History Museum features a fascinating butterfly pavilion throughout June, July and August where you can walk among 30 species of butterflies in their protected habitat. The Becoming Los Angeles exhibit also provides a chance to learn more about the people and events that helped Los Angeles grow. With old standbys like the Dinosaur Hall and plenty of dioramas, it's truly a museum for all ages.

900 Exposition Blvd, Los Angeles
Hours vary, please call for more information: (213) 763-DINO.

The Los Angeles Zoo

The Los Angeles Zoo is a great way for kids to get up close and personal with

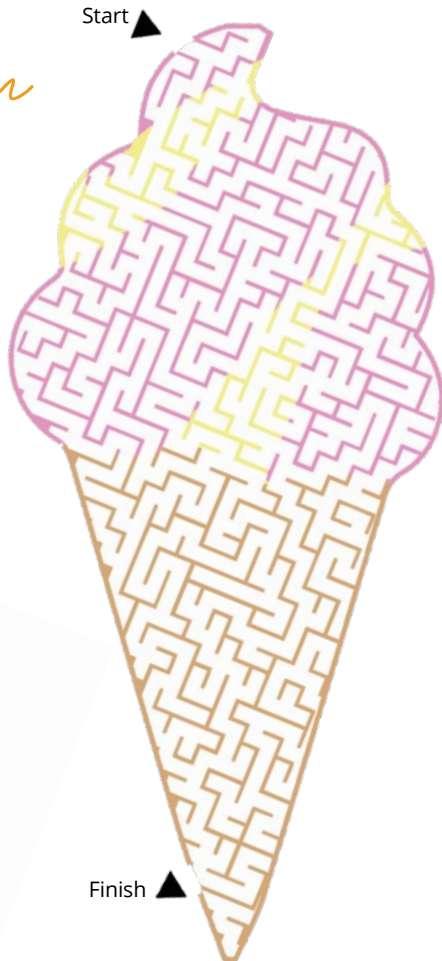


more than 1,700 mammals, birds, amphibians, fish, and reptiles. With a new ocelot kitten and baby condors, the zoo offers many workshops and special presentations for kids of all ages. It's a great place to visit or even volunteer.

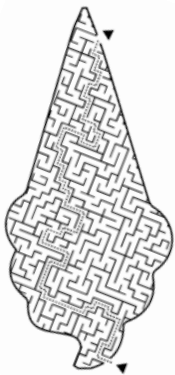
5333 Zoo Drive, Los Angeles
Open 10AM-5PM every day except Thanksgiving and Christmas

Ice Cream Maze

Can you make it through the maze before the ice cream melts?



Answer



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Cranberry Mousse Jello Mold Salad



Ingredients

- 1 (6-ounce) package strawberry-flavored gelatin
- 1 cup boiling water
- 1 (20-ounce) can crushed pineapple
- 1 (16-ounce) can whole cranberry sauce
- 3 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 2 cups sour cream
- 1/2 cup pecans

Directions

In a large bowl, dissolve gelatin in boiling water. Drain crushed pineapple in a sieve over a bowl, reserving the juice. Add pineapple juice to the gelatin. Stir in cranberry sauce, lemon juice, lemon peel, and nutmeg. Chill uncovered for 1.5 hours or until thickened. Fold in sour cream, crushed pineapple, and pecans. Pour into a glass serving bowl or greased 9-cup mold. Chill until set, at least 2 hours.