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BAY GARDENS RESORTS NEWSLETTER

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The Key to your Ultimate Caribbean Vacation Getaway

Centrally situated in the heart of Saint Lucia's entertainment capital, Rodney Bay Village, the Bay Gardens Resorts family of hotels and luxury private villas offers inviting, island-inspired accommodations. With five properties positioned on the Reduit Beachfront and within Rodney Bay Village and the Rodney Bay Marina, Bay Gardens Resorts is a favourite hotel destination in Saint Lucia for families, couples, and island explorers.

Featuring a total of 241 rooms, seven conference centers, four restaurants, and six bars, our resorts are the perfect choice for a Saint Lucian getaway for families, couples, honeymooners, wedding parties, business travelers, groups, and more. Guests can stay at the property that suits them best and can still enjoy luxurious amenities from each. Click here to read more about our beautiful properties.



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Big News! Splash Island Water Park Nominated for World Travel Awards



Splash Island Water Park at Bay Gardens Resorts is the Caribbean's first open water sports park, offering obstacle course features. We're excited to announce that the park has recently been nominated as a finalist for the "Caribbean's Leading Water Park 2023" by the World Travel Awards for the second time in a row.

Established in 1993, the World Travel Awards' mandate is to acknowledge, reward and celebrate excellence across all key sectors of the travel, tourism, and hospitality industries. Today, the World Travel Awards™ brand is recognized globally as the ultimate hallmark of industry excellence.

This year, the inaugural award ceremony slated for August 26, 2023, is set to be hosted in picturesque Saint Lucia and will form the climax of World Travel Week 2023, a week-long celebration of the global travel and tourism sector, featuring a series of events to unite the industry's thought-leaders and spark debate on key issues.

Voting is now open for organizations in the Caribbean and the Americas for the World Travel Awards 2023 program. Voting runs until midnight on 9 July. The nominee gaining the most votes in a category will be named as the winner in the landmark 30th anniversary year.

According to the founder of the World Travel Awards, Graham Cooke, "With voting now open for our key regions of the Caribbean and the Americas, momentum for our landmark 30th anniversary continues to gather momentum. It is time for you to choose the organizations that are raising the bar of travel excellence."

To vote for Splash Island Water Park, please click here: https://www.worldtravelawards.com/vote

Tourism Excellence Recognized through the Gimie Awards!



On the night of April 26th, 2023, the Ministry of Tourism, with support from the Saint Lucia Hospitality and Tourism Authority hosted the inaugural Gimie Awards. Named after Mount Gimie, the highest peak in the country standing at an elevation of 3,120 ft, the Gimies is synonymous with reaching new heights, the pinnacle of excellence. Thus, the ceremony sought to recognize the best in the industry. The Bay Gardens Resorts was nominated for the Gold

Social Partner in Tourism Award and Splash Island Water Park was also nominated for the Sites and Adventure Business of the Year. Two of our esteemed staff members, Kendal Jimmy, and Aiesha Murrell, were also nominated for the Small and Medium Hotel Employee Awards, respectively. Former general manager at Bay Gardens Resorts and longstanding industry stalwart, Mrs. Berthia Parle, was recognized for her contribution to tourism in Saint Lucia at the ceremony. The Bay Gardens Resorts commends all awardees and nominees for their contribution to shaping the tourism landscape in Saint Lucia.

Commemorating Earth Day with a Mangrove Clean Up

In commemoration of Earth Day, the team at the Bay Gardens Marina Haven along with personnel from the Department of Environmental Sustainability hosted a clean-up activity of the mangrove adjacent to the Marina Haven. Mangroves are important ecosystems that provide habitat for numerous species and protect shorelines from erosion and storms. This mangrove, in particular, is home to hundreds of bird species which makes for excellent ecotourism activities for bird enthusiasts.



Therefore preservation of these areas through clean-up activities is just one small step toward protecting the environment. It is important to also promote responsible waste management practices and reduce the amount of trash that enters the environment in the first place.

Green Globe is the premier worldwide certification program developed specifically for the travel and tourism industry. It assists organizations to improve their economic, social and environmental sustainability while being rewarded and recognized for it. Bay Gardens Resorts has received Green Globe and Green Globe Gold Certification over the years. In keeping with its commitment Bay Gardens Resorts will host a number of other activities and sensitization campaigns geared at environmental sustainability and preservation.

Mother's Day at Bay Gardens Resorts!



Mother's Day is undeniably one of the most exciting times at the Bay Gardens Resorts. This year will be no different as we will celebrate with three events to help you honor that special lady in your life. On Sunday, May 14th, 2023, the Bay Gardens Marina Haven will host its annual Mother's Day Lunch, for only EC\$120.00 per person. In addition to an extensive buffet, the Nubian Queen-themed event will treat mothers to a welcome cocktail and live entertainment by a

popular saxophonist. The Spices Restaurant at the Bay Gardens Hotel & Inn will also host brunch fit for a queen, with its day of fun dubbed "Goddess". For only EC\$140.00 per person, receive a complimentary bottle of wine to perfectly pair with your Caribbean Inspired buffet brunch. Cowboy Shervon Sealy will be there to entertain and have Mom dance the day away. Welcome mimosas, live entertainment, and an unmatched beachfront ambiance make the Hi-Tide Restaurant at the Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa a perfect option for Mother's Day Celebrations. The buffet lunch is also served with a miniature bottle of sparkling wine per person. Be sure to bring the entire family, as children between the ages of 4-12 years pay half price and children below the age of 4 are absolutely free. All packages are inclusive of a welcome drink on arrival, service charges, and VAT. Bookings paid for by May 7th, 2023, receive a 10% discount. For more information and to make a reservation, contact us at 457-8045 or send us an email at marketing@baygardensresorts.com. Mother's Day is sure to be unforgettable this year at the Bay Gardens Resorts. Click here for more info.

The Countdown To Saint Lucia Jazz Is On!

The countdown has begun towards the most anticipated festival in the Caribbean. This year's festival promises to be no different, with a lineup that is sure to impress music lovers from all over the world. The festival promises a power-packed lineup that includes Grammy award-winning artistes like Sting, Shaggy, and Buju Banton as well as an impressive afro beats cadre of performers like Oxlade, Kizz Daniel, and CKay.



After a hiatus due to COVID-19, the Saint Lucia Jazz & Arts Festival is reenergized and will begin in a few days with the official launch at the 'people's auditorium' – The Mindoo Phillip Park. The Opening is being headlined by dancehall superstar Shensea and Soca sensation Kes. Slated to run from May 5th to May 14th, 2023, the festival will also have an arts and cultural component in addition to musical

performances. It will include a variety of fringe activities and events including food and craft vendors, art exhibitions, and cultural performances. Visitors to the festival can immerse themselves in the rich culture of Saint Lucia and enjoy the island's beautiful scenery.

A mare 15 mins drive from the Bay Gardens Resorts via land taxi, or 5 mins via water taxi from the Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa, Saint Lucia Jazz Festival promises to be an unforgettable experience for music lovers and tourists alike. With a stellar lineup of world-class musicians, and a beautiful island setting. Click here to learn more.

Sizzling Summer Deals - Save Up To 50% Off Accommodation



Bay Gardens Resorts is offering guests Spring savings at the Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa, Bay Gardens Hotel, Bay Gardens Inn, and Bay Gardens Marina Haven.

The Offer Includes:

- Complimentary Breakfast daily
- Welcome cocktail on arrival
- Two Kids Stay and Eat FREE*
- Complimentary Wi-Fi
- Bottled water in room on arrival
- Complimentary shuttle between the Bay Gardens properties ONLY
- Complimentary non-motorized water sports activities
- Complimentary unlimited passes to Splash Island Water Park

For more information and to book your summer getaway, click here.

Anse la Raye and Soufriere Waterfall Tour with Island Trekkers

On this 3 in 1 Waterfall Tour guests will get to experience and enjoy three (3) different waterfalls. Two (2) of these falls are in the fishing village of Anse la Raye and the other in Soufriere. Guests will be able to enjoy the beautiful scenery along the west coast which displays lush scenery. Upon arrival to the waterfalls guests will get to enjoy the natural streams and ambiance. To book your next adrenaline-packed zip line experience, click here.



Spa & Wellness - Mother's Day Specials at La Mer Spa



Featured Employee - Elma Hyacinth

Elma Hyacinth is our featured staff member for the month of April 2023. Elma has been employed with the resort chain for a little over three years, first serving as the Human Resource Administrative Assistant and now the Human Resource Coordinator. Ms. Hyacinth regards her role as an important one and it forms the backbone of the organization, as she is tasked with positively impacting the Bay Gardens Employee Experience, "Success is not final, failure is not fatal, it is the



courage to continue that counts" by Winston Churchill are a famous quote that resonates with Elma as it encourages her to believe in herself and never give up, irrespective of the circumstances.

When not actively engaged with the duties of the resort chain's human resource department, Elma uses her spare time to pursue her Bachelor's Degree in Human Resource Management at the University of the West Indies, Open Campus. She's also passionate about caring for her pet goat Pepsi, which she describes as fun and responsive.

She describes her most memorable moment at Bay Gardens Resorts as when she earned an award for "Group Team Member of the Quarter". This propelled her to keep performing at the highest level. In the future, Elma hopes to become the Human Resort Manager in this evolving and dynamic organization. The Bay Gardens Resorts thanks Elma for her contribution to the team and we look forward to many years of excellence from her!

Recipe - Breadfruit Balls



INGREDIENTS:

- 1 Medium Breadfruit
- 1 Egg
- 1/2 Cup Finely Chopped Onions
- 2 Cloves Finely Chopped Garlic Ingredients
- 2 Stems Celery and Parsley (Finely Chopped)
- 2 Cups Grated Cheese
- 2 Cups Breadcrumbs
- · Salt to Taste

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Cut the breadfruit in four and clean it by removing the skin and the center stalk.
- 2. Boil the breadfruit in water with salt until it is soft.

- 3. Drain the excess water and place the breadfruit in a bowl. Mash it with a potato masher. and allow it to cool down.
- 4. Add the rest of the ingredients and mix it thoroughly. Allow it to cool.
- 5. Make balls with the mixture at the sizing of your choice. Roll in breadcrumbs and they can be fried or baked.
- 6. If you are baking the dish, then place in oven for approximately 35 minutes at a temperature of 200*C

Our Guest Experience

Have you seen what our guests are saying about us on TripAdvisor?

BAY GARDENS BEACH RESORT & SPA "PERFECT DAY!"

Reviewed by: Jennie F

We had a great day at Bay Gardens. This was a day trip on a cruise ship stop and the transportation and scheduling were excellent. My teenage children loved the water toys and paddle boards,



the massage was great, clean, and professional. The food and drinks were great, the pool was clean, and people were super friendly! Superb Two-day Vacation

BAY GARDENS HOTEL & INN "SUPERB TWO-DAY VACATION!"

Reviewed by: Cyemar

The experience was great. Mr. Nathaniel at Front Desk/Reception was understanding, helpful, and clear in his delivery. The food was excellent. The opportunity to access other resorts was quite rewarding. Overall, the staff was always willing to offer assistance. Bay Gardens offers a memorable Marina vacation experience.

BAY GARDENS MARINA HAVEN

"HIGHLY RECOMMEND AND WILL VISIT AGAIN"

Reviewed by: Shermika C

Absolutely brilliant. Great atmosphere. Wonderful food, and exceptional staff. I'm a regular here and every time I go the experience just keeps getting better. My place to go when I visit the north, whether it's for business or pleasure. Thank you!