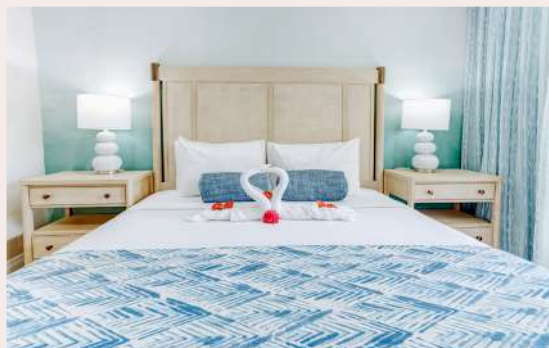


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OUR
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OF EVENTS!

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT BAY GARDENS RESORTS!

APRIL 2023



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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Bay Gardens Managing Director Joyce Destang Honoured with Lifetime Achievement Award at GIMIES

In a proud moment for Saint Lucia's tourism industry, Mrs. Joyce Destang OBE, Managing Director of Bay Gardens Resorts, received the Lifetime Achievement Award (Prime Minister's Award) at the GIMIES – Saint Lucia's Tourism Awards. The Honourable Philip J. Pierre, Prime Minister, presented the award, recognizing Mrs. Destang's more than 30 years of dedication, innovation, and leadership in the sector.

"For over thirty years, Mrs. Destang led with vision and heart, transforming challenges into opportunities and dreams into landmarks. Her journey has not just shaped tourism, it has inspired a nation."

From humble beginnings, Joyce Destang's path to success was anything but ordinary. Known by many as a beloved teacher at Saint Joseph's Convent and a passionate real estate entrepreneur alongside her husband, she eventually made the bold leap into the tourism industry.

With no formal background in hospitality, but with deep faith and determination, she founded what would grow into one of Saint Lucia's most beloved hotel groups.

"We started with a 45-room hotel, the one right on the highway, Bay Gardens Hotel" Mrs. Destang once shared. "A couple years later, we acquired Bay Gardens Inn, which was then the Palm Tree Hotel. My brother the late Greg Glace really encouraged me. I wasn't too sure about it, but he believed in me."

From there, the Bay Gardens brand experienced significant growth. In 2007, the Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa was established, followed by the acquisition of Palm Haven in 2018, which was rebranded as Bay Gardens Marina Haven. In 2019, the group launched Water's Edge Villas, further expanding its portfolio. By 2025, Bay Gardens Resorts is proudly celebrating 30 years of excellence in the hospitality industry and is set to unveil its newest luxury development, Sapphire Sands Villas, later this year marking a remarkable milestone not only for Mrs. Destang, but also for the entire Saint Lucian tourism sector.

“To the world, Joyce Destang is receiving a Lifetime Achievement Award in tourism,” said daughter Tanya Destang-Beaubrun. “But to us, she earned that award a long time ago...”

Her contributions extend beyond business. Through scholarships and mentorship, she’s empowered her staff and helped pave the way for women in business across Saint Lucia.

“Congratulations to our Managing Director Joyce Destang on your Lifetime Achievement Award,” said Executive Director Sanovnik Destang. “You’re a trailblazer... Bay Gardens Resorts is the largest Caribbean hotel chain owned by a black Caribbean woman that was founded by you thirty years ago.”

In her speech, Mrs. Destang remained humble, encouraging locals to find their space in tourism, no matter the size. “Not all of us can build and own a hotel... But local people can find their own place in tourism... The most important thing is to put your heart into it.”

Her legacy is one of vision, grace, and enduring impact, an inspiration to many.

Celebrating 30 Years of Excellence: Exclusive 30-Minute Flash Sale!

Mark your calendars and set your clocks!

In honour of our 30th Anniversary, we’re offering you an exclusive 30-minute Flash Sale on April 30th at 1PM EST / 5PM GMT only on our [website](#).

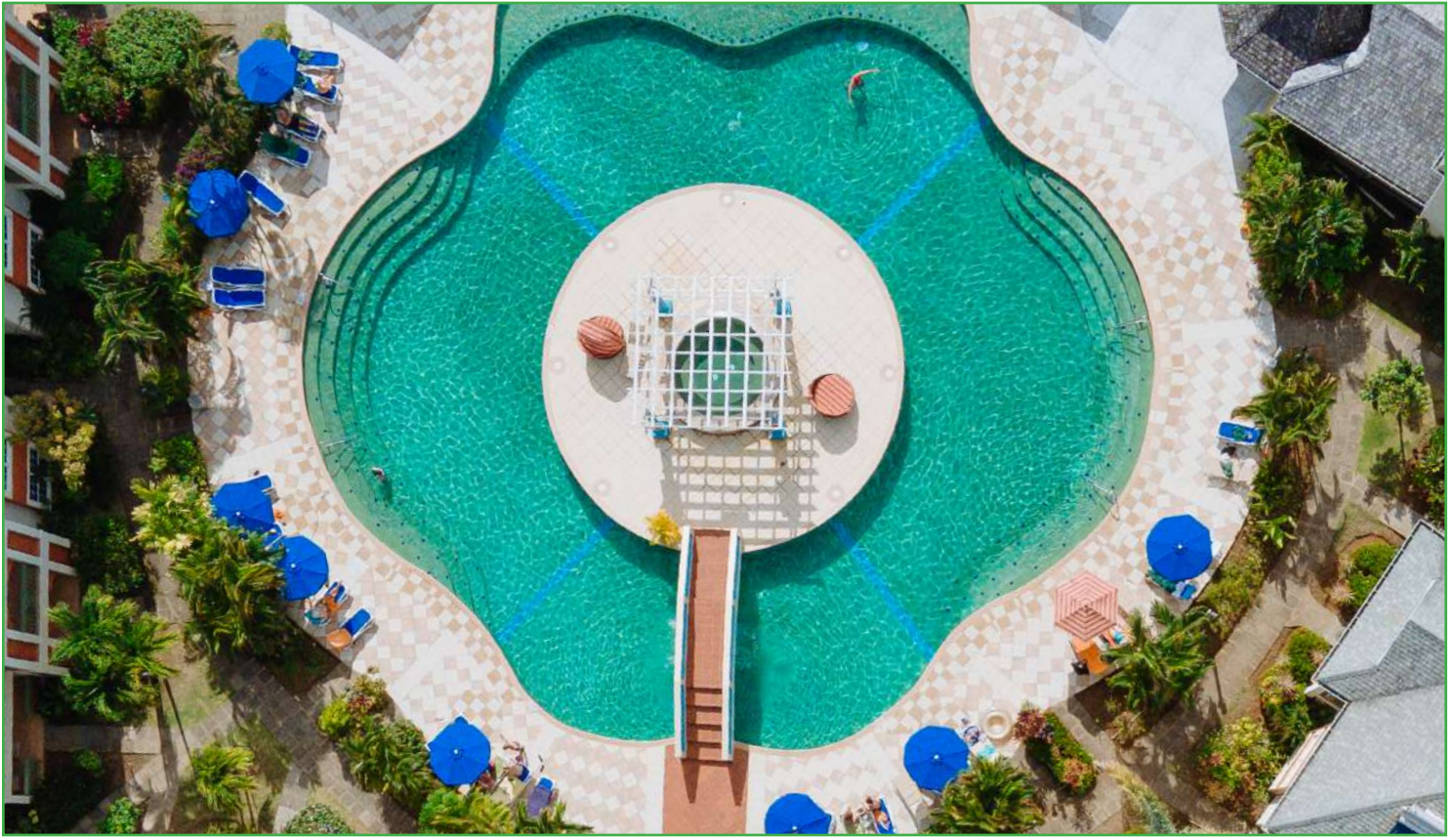
For just half an hour, you can enjoy a spectacular 50% off all bookings at our luxurious Sapphire Sands Villas for stays starting from December 20, 2025.



This is your chance to experience the magic of Sapphire Sands Villas, a stunning beachfront escape designed for unforgettable family getaways and serene couples’ retreats alike. From spacious suites and private villas to your very own private pool, Sapphire Sands Villas offers the ultimate blend of comfort, style, and tropical luxury.

Whether it’s soaking up the sun on the beach, indulging in world-class dining, or unwinding in your personal oasis, every moment here is crafted for joy and relaxation.

Don’t miss this rare opportunity to book your dream holiday at half the price! Visit our website on April 30th and be ready to secure your slice of paradise.



Bay Gardens Beach Resort Celebrates 18 Years of Caribbean Hospitality Excellence

Bay Gardens Beach Resort proudly celebrated its 18th anniversary on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, under the theme “Commemorating 18 Years of Excellence.” The event brought together team members, partners, and special guests to honour nearly two decades of delivering award-winning Caribbean hospitality.

The evening began with a stylish cocktail reception where guests enjoyed curated drinks, hors d’oeuvres, and live music in an elegant setting. General Manager Ms. Aaron and Property Development Manager Mr. Jason Beaubrun shared reflections on the resort’s journey, followed by a heartfelt presentation of bouquets to past and present managers in recognition of their contributions.

Guests were then treated to an exceptional dinner experience, elevated by thrilling performances from Sparkle fire dancers and a vibrant carnival costume parade. The celebration was filled with joy, reflection, and gratitude, a true tribute to the legacy and spirit of Bay Gardens Beach Resort.

Here’s to 18 phenomenal years, and many more to come.



Bay Gardens Resorts Celebrates Tourism Legends Award Recipient, Waltrude Patrick

Bay Gardens Resorts extends heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Waltrude Patrick, former General Manager, on being honoured with the Tourism Legends Award by the Saint Lucia Hospitality and Tourism Association (SLHTA) at its 2025 Annual General Meeting, held on March 28th.

This prestigious accolade recognizes Ms. Patrick's outstanding contributions, visionary leadership, and decades of dedicated service to Saint Lucia's hospitality and tourism industry. Her enduring legacy has played a pivotal role in shaping the Bay Gardens brand and advancing the island's reputation as a world-class destination.

We are deeply grateful for Ms. Patrick's unwavering commitment and invaluable impact. Her career continues to serve as an inspiration across the industry.



Taste the Bay Festival Delivers Food, Fun & Family Vibes

Bay Gardens Resorts turned up the heat this Easter Monday, April 21st, 2025, with the wildly successful Taste the Bay Festival and what a day it was! Dubbed one of the most anticipated foodie events of the Easter weekend, the festival kicked off at noon and delivered an unbeatable mix of mouthwatering eats, family fun, and pure island energy.

Families flocked to the Kids Zone where little ones had a blast with face painting, bouncy castles, trampolines, free snacks, sweet treats like cotton candy and snow cones.

Food lovers were in paradise, feasting on a flavourful spread from some of Rodney Bay's best restaurants including Caribbean Blends, Deez Diner, Bambooze, Señor Snapper, Amici, Green Zen, Bay Gardens' own Spices Restaurant, and more. The exclusive sponsors lounge added an extra dash of VIP flair to the experience.

The vibes? Unmatched. From the soulful sounds of Secret Solo Band to high-energy performances by Silver Shadow Dancers, Invasion Band, Ezra D'Fun Machine, Ricky T, Shemmy J, Nerdy, and more, the entertainment kept the crowd on their feet and the party going strong.

A massive THANK YOU to all our sponsors and everyone who came out to make Taste the Bay 2025 another unforgettable celebration of food, family, and festive fun.



General Manager of Bay Gardens Marina Haven Yatsuri Marshall Joins SLHTA and CHTA Board of Directors



Bay Gardens Resorts is proud to announce that Ms. Yatsuri “Sue” Marshall, General Manager of Bay Gardens Marina Haven, has been appointed to the Caribbean Hotel and Tourism Association (CHTA) Board of Directors for the 2025–2027 term.

In addition, she now proudly serves on the Saint Lucia Hospitality and Tourism Association (SLHTA) Board of Directors as the official Representative for Small Properties — including small hotels, inns, bed and breakfasts, and guesthouses across the island.

These prestigious appointments are a testament to Ms. Marshall’s outstanding leadership, dedication to service excellence, and unwavering commitment to the development of Saint Lucia’s tourism sector.

Her deep passion for hospitality and advocacy for small properties continue to elevate both the Bay Gardens brand and the wider industry. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Ms. Marshall and are confident she will be a powerful voice and invaluable contributor to both boards.

Employee Feature: Jennefer Charles Segree



Jennefer Charles Segree has been a dedicated member of the Housekeeping Department at Bay Gardens Marina Haven for over two years. During this time, she has consistently demonstrated a strong work ethic and a reliable approach to her responsibilities, playing an important role in maintaining the high standards of cleanliness and comfort expected by our guests.

Her approach is straightforward: “I see what’s there to be done and get it done.” This practical mindset recently earned her a Special Recognition Award, acknowledging her commitment and efficiency. We appreciate Jennefer’s continued contributions and recognize her as a valued part of the Bay Gardens team.

Tour Feature

Ultimate Three Tranopy

Embark on an unforgettable eco-adventure with the Ultimate Three Tranopy Experience! Soar through the lush rainforest canopy on an exhilarating zipline tour, expertly guided from platform to platform among towering trees. After a scenic forest hike, hop aboard an open-air aerial tram for a breathtaking descent above the treetops.

Take in panoramic views of the island as the gondola glides gently back to base camp—an adventure that perfectly blends thrill, nature, and serenity.

Ready to elevate your island experience? [Book here.](#)



Spa Feature

Tropical Sand Dollar Bliss

Treat yourself to the ultimate spa escape with our Tropical Sand Dollar Bliss experience. Enjoy a rejuvenating exfoliating fruit scrub, followed by a deeply hydrating body wrap, and finish with a soothing full-body massage using our signature infused oils—leaving your skin smooth, radiant, and glowing.

Book your blissful escape today!
Contact La Mer Spa at Bay Gardens Beach Resort & Spa at **758-457-8553** or via email at lamerspa@baygardensresorts.com.

Saltfish Accra



INSTRUCTIONS

INGREDIENTS:

- * ½ cup soaked and finely shredded salted codfish
- * 1 small onion finely diced
- * 2 dried bay leaves optional
- * 1 ½ cup flour
- * 1 cup water plus more if necessary
- * 1 egg separated
- * ½ tablespoon chives minced
- * ½ tablespoon fresh parsley thinly chopped
- * 1 garlic minced
- * ½ teaspoon ground thyme preferably
- * salt and pepper to taste
- * 1 – 2 dash baking soda
- * 2 shado beni leaves (or 1 tablespoon cilantro) chopped

METHOD:

1. De-salt the codfish for at least 12 hours in cold water and changing the water twice. In a saucepan filled with water, boil the codfish with the bay leaves if using. If not boil codfish in enough water for at least 30 minutes. Remove from water and let codfish cool before shredding and removing any bones.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together, flour and water to make a very moist dough. Add shredded codfish and all spices. If you want a homogeneous mixture pour mixture into a blender and blend for less than 1 minute. Mix beaten egg yolk. Put mixture in refrigerator for at least 10 to 15 minutes.
3. Heat enough oil for batter. Remove batter from refrigerator add baking soda and mix. Beat egg white to almost stiff. Add to batter and gently blend well.
4. Drop by the spoonful into hot oil. Do not overload. Cook until golden brown and crispy, turning once on each side. Drain on paper towel.
5. Garnish and serve immediately

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

BAY GARDENS BEACH RESORT "Loving Happy People"

Reviewed by Claudia Mayer (03.24.25)

The staff at this resort made our stay unforgettable! Everyone was so friendly and kind, always with a smile and so genuine. We made special friends along the way, Mario, Makada (sweet girl), George, Nadya at the spa (best massage!!), Christel from front desk! Everyone did an awesome job, made us feel welcome. The food was very good and the bar phenomenal! One advice would be to do the tours by boat and driving tour to Soufriere, each trip is different. We enjoyed the mud bath, waterfalls, and rum tasting. We had two amazing drivers, one is Mario from the hotel who drove us around on his day off (great guy), the other one is Junior, "Cute Yute"

1-758-717-2284 he can provide airport transportation as well.

The beach is great, and I recommend the water taxi if you visit Pigeon Island which is a must to get to know and learn about the history of Saint Lucia. Our favourite restaurants around were Spinnakers, Jaques and Buzz!! Good luck!

BAY GARDENS HOTEL AND INN "Holiday"

Reviewed by MJ Pagey (03.23.25)

1st time in St. Lucia. After a long transfer welcomed very warmly by our receptionist. Easy check in and shown to our 1st floor room overlooking the pool. Lovely colonial vibe with the buildings. Room was spacious and very clean if a little dated but more than ok. Coffee/ tea/ soft drinks and beer in full size fridge. The only slight grumble with the room was the shower was rather poor. I spoke to others with a ground floor room and there were no issues, seems just to be a common thing on the 1st floor!

From the Inn it's a short walk over to the main part of the hotel for the bar and restaurant, which I liked as it was quite quiet in the inn. You could get drinks brought over to the inn pool if you required. Most days there were only a few people round the inn pool. There were also 3 other pool areas in the main hotel.

The restaurant was excellent, breakfast was buffet style, but on most days lunch and dinner were off a menu which I really liked as the food was cooked to order and not sat round to chill like a buffet. Great choice with all 3 courses if you required. A couple of evenings there was a BBQ where the meats were exceptionally good.

Staff were also fantastic and could not do enough for you.

There was also a free shuttle every hour during the day to the sister hotel on the beach in Rodney Bay. We used the rep lady for a few trips and the hiring of a car for a couple of days, all excellent service again. Loved the vibe and feel to this holiday, thank you to all staff.

BAY GARDENS MARINA HAVEN "Great Stay"

Reviewed by M Katee (04.05.25)

Just come back from an 11-night stay at this hotel. Clean, friendly staff, great food, especially a shout out to Tessa (great asset to this hotel) Shem, Arnold, Jimmy and the two older ladies in the restaurant.

Yes, we may have had to wait a bit longer for food a couple of times, but we were on holiday so didn't see as a problem (need to take in consideration they were not fully staffed) and were always looked after and communicated to.

Great free shuttle service between sister hotels, with our all-inclusive deal also including the hotel in town (not beach).

Great value for money and overall great stay!