

## Little Pig Bay House & Spa – Boutique Retreat: St. Lucia

### Summary

Tucked away on the edge of St Lucia's tropical jungle is this hippy-chic retreat, with a relaxed Balinese vibe, a fabulous spa and its own dive school. The boutique hotel's guest rooms are housed in colourful beach shacks that cling to the bluff, among banana trees and swaying bamboo. Set above the sweeping black-sand bay, they all have ocean views and wonderful verandas, complete with rocking chairs and double hammocks. Many have their own private rock pools and all have quirky outdoor showers amidst lush tropical planting; you'll feel like you're bathing in a rainforest waterfall. This is an excellent value, romantic hideaway for holidays or honeymoons on St Lucia – a must for lovers of all things kooky, exotic and laid back.

### Details

Getting here is a bit of an Indiana Jones adventure. You'll wend your way along the jungle roads rising through St Lucia's hilly forests until you burst through a clearing onto the bluff above the bay where the hotel is located. The friendly staff will greet you with a banana leaf garland and welcome drink at the bar, and in your room you'll find a snack of homemade cookies or banana bread. The first thing you'll probably want to do is master the art of climbing into the double hammock on your veranda: well worth it for sunset gazing on this west coast. All rooms have ocean views and many have their own private rock pools and 4-poster beds. You'll find the bed strewn with exotic flowers on arrival: romantic retreat meets surfer-chic.

The bay below the hotel (reached by a winding wooden staircase with 166 steps) is great for snorkelling and diving. The hotel's own scuba school caters for experts and beginners alike, and there's a weekly demo in the pool to whet your appetite, plus night dives for experts. The sunken wreck just out to shore is a real draw for divers here and this area of St Lucia's coast is renowned as offering the best diving in the Caribbean ... and the hotel's beach bar does the best homemade cheeseburger on island.

Sightseeing on St Lucia is wonderfully varied. There are the sulphur springs with the world's only drive-in volcano, the twin peaks of the Pitons (a World Heritage Site), rain-forest walks and canopy tours (take the cable car up and zip-wire down through the tree tops). Visit pretty Castries for its market, and historic Soufriere further south. Yachties will love Rodney Bay and pretty Marigot Bay (the famous narrow inlet that provided cover for an English fleet in one of their many battles with the French), or go on a bird watching tour to catch a glimpse of St Lucia's parrots. The hotel has its own boat and tour guide, so you can tailor-make your own itinerary. Alternatively, spend a day at the excellent Balinese spa, whose open-sided treatment rooms look straight out over the ocean.

The hotel's restaurant is excellent and features fresh local food, plus an extensive wine cellar. Wine and rum tastings are on offer most evenings. On some nights, a live band will play local music and you can even learn a few Creole dance moves. And a top tip is to arrive 5 minutes early for your dinner reservation; the masseuses will probably give you a neck and shoulder massage while you wait. A trip to the local village's Friday Night Fish Fest is well worth it. Sample the local fare in simple surroundings and while away the time "liming" with the locals. Or take the hotel's boat on a sunset cruise.

St Lucia is the perfect Winter Sun destination: easy to combine with a stay in Miami or as part of a "puddle-jumping" multi-island Caribbean holiday.

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### Facts & Figures

33 Guest Rooms, all with private veranda and Ocean Views:

- Ocean View Room – Most with 4-poster beds. Highest up on the bluff.
- Ocean View Cottage – Most with 4-poster beds. Slightly closer to the Ocean.
- Ocean View Cottage with Pool – Most with 4-poster beds. Closer still to the Ocean. Extended veranda and private rock pool with Jacuzzi.
- Ocean Front Cottage with Pool – Most with 4-poster beds. The closest to the Ocean with unobstructed views. Extended veranda and private rock pool with Jacuzzi.

All rooms have: Ensuite bathrooms with outdoor "rainforest" showers. TVs available to rent – iPod Dock in top two room types; CD player in other room types. Telephone & Wifi – Air-Con/heating – Ceiling Fans – Safe – Hairdryers – Minibar – Coffee-maker

Hotel facilities: Pool – Direct Beach Access (166 steps) and Beachside bar & Grill – Spa – Guest TV Lounge – Complimentary Kayaks – Gardens – Terraces – Bar – Wine Cellar and Rum Bar – Boutique – Volleyball

Also at and around hotel (extra cost): Private tailor-made tours by boat or on land – Scuba and Diving School – Motorised sports at Rodney Bay – Wine & Rum tastings – Horse-Riding – Jungle Tours, Treks and Zip Wires – Golf (45mins) – Sunset Cruises – Whale and dolphin watching

Prices include: Complimentary welcome drink and snack

NB Please note that is an adult only environment – no guests under 12 years

Can be hired for functions – please ask for details

### Regional Highlights

- Days relaxing by the pool or enjoying watersports the beach; excellent snorkelling and diving, plus lessons and qualifications at the hotel's dive school
- Stroll around the quaint settlements of Castries and Soufriere, or the upmarket harbours of Rodney and Marigot Bays (can be reached by water taxi from the hotel)
- Nightlife, as low-key or upscale as you like, with the excellent hotel restaurant or casual street parties, fish fests, creole bands or "jump-ups", plus seasonal festivals and parades
- Jungle treks inland, cable-car tours and zip wires.
- Birdwatching – see St Lucia's famous parrots
- Twin peaks of the Pitons and helicopter tours
- Golf at the famous St Lucia Golf & Country Club (45mins)
- Warm tropical temperatures all year round – a great Winter Sun destination and perfect to combine with a stay on other Caribbean islands or a city break in Miami

### Location

Nearest airports:

St. Lucia George Charles (40 mins); St Lucia Hewanorra (1 hrs 20mins)

Nearest direct flight from UK

St Lucia Hewanorra (1.5 hrs)

Nearest shops & restaurants:

10mins

Nearest Beach

On beach (access via 166 steps)

