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Suggested 3-Day Itinerary: St Lucia Wetlands Guest House

- Day 1:** Arrive at **St Lucia Wetlands Guest House**. Savor complimentary welcome drinks and an orientation to St Lucia and its wide array of possibilities.
- Time permitting - Stretch your legs with a self-guided walk through the well-shaded iGwala Gwala Trail, featuring an abundance of **birdlife** as well as a few small antelope. Then relax with sundowners at the Deep Sea Angling Club overlooking the estuary's **hippos** and **crocodiles** while watching the **magnificent African sunset**.
- 18:30 - Head out to one of our many casual-dining restaurants for dinner in town and return to St Lucia Wetlands for a nightcap and/or **complimentary sherry, fruit, and sweets** before retiring to bed.
- Day 2:** 08:00 - Enjoy a **full English breakfast** on the serene balcony. Trumpeter Hornbills and Vervet Monkeys are frequent visitors to the surrounding trees and are an unfailing delight to our guests.
- 09:00 - Depart for **iSimangaliso** Wetland Park, South Africa's **first UNESCO World Heritage Site** and home to diverse African wildlife. Self-drive through the park to **Cape Vidal** for a picnic lunch with visits to the park's various detours off the tar road, view points, Catalina Bay, and Mission Rocks. Boasting **5 ecosystems** and a stunning beach with coral reefs perfectly suited for **snorkeling**, it's best to grant this expedition a full day.
- 18:30 - Enjoy another one of the 'tastes of St Lucia' at one of the local establishes. Head back to St Lucia Wetlands for a nightcap and/or complimentary sherry, fruit, and sweets before retiring to bed.
- Day 3:** 08:00 - Relish in another visit to our breakfast table and varied selection of cold and hot offerings.
- 10:00 - Embark on a **boat tour** through the St Lucia Estuary, getting (safely) up-close and personal with our 800 hippos and 1200 crocodiles, as well as impressive birds like the Goliath Heron, the Great White Egret, and the Woolly-Necked Stork.
- 12:30 - Escape to one of the local coffee shops for a fresh lunch and lovely mid-day dessert.
- 14:00 - Visit the **Crocodile Centre** to see and learn much about the reptilian world. Be sure not to miss the gaboon viper (one of the few in captivity) and the famous living fossil, the coelacanth. Or, take a **bush walk** or a **horse ride** through the trails of iSimangaliso. These trails are all in the non-dangerous game section of the park and offer a new perspective to our fauna and flora.
- 18:30 - Re-visit a previous restaurant choice for an irresistible second-helping, or choose something entirely new. As always, return to the guest house for after-dinner treats and drinks.
- Day 4:** 08:00 - Cherish a final opportunity to indulge in the breakfast buffet before preparing to depart.
- 10:00 - Bid farewell to the guest house and its team of proud owners and staff, knowing that the door is always open for your return.





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The preceding are just a few of the highlights St Lucia has to offer. Other options in the surrounding area include:

- A day-trip to **Hluhluwe-Imfolozi Game Reserve**, a Big 5 park just an hour from the guest house. Both self-drive and guided options are available.
- A **night drive** through iSimangaliso Wetland Park for a chance to see the areas nocturnal creatures. Only available as a guided tour.
- Seasonal boat-based **whale watching** to see the powerful humpback whales, as well as a chance to view a plethora of other marine life. Available June - November.
- Seasonal **turtle tours** to experience the wonder of the giant loggerhead and leatherback sea turtles as they lay their nests on the beach, and later in the season, as they hatch and journey back to the ocean. Available November through May.
- **Deep-sea and fly-fishing**
- **Surfing** lessons in St Lucia or Cape Vidal
- **Kayak safaris** in the estuary amongst the hippos, crocodiles, and sharks (for the more adventurous sorts!)
- **Golfing** at the nearby Monzi Country Club, featuring a 9-hole course
- **Globally Important Bird Area (IBA)**

