### **ABOUT US** ■

The highlight of your Seychelles holiday will undoubtedly be Praslin and its' neighbouring islands. Let the Indian Ocean Lodge be your first step to a laid back island way of life.

The Indian Ocean Lodge is ideally located along Grand Anse Beach on Praslin, the second largest island of the Seychelles. Nestled amongst mature Takamaka trees and a lush tropical garden on the water's edge, this charming 'beach chic' hotel is truly the hidden jewel of Praslin.

Enjoy friendly service, excellent cuisine and attention to detail in our restaurant, which offers both local and international cuisine in an informal atmosphere, with live entertainment on selected days. A well stocked pool bar will allow you to enjoy some of the best cocktails in the area whilst watching the sun set.



# HOW TO GET TO US ■

#### By Air

Flights are available several times daily from the main island Mahé through the Air Seychelles Domestic Services and it is only fifteen minutes long. It is recommended that you book your domestic flight connection when you book your inbound flight to the Seychelles.

#### By Sea

The Cat Cocos inter-island ferry service runs three times a day on week days and twice a day on weekends to the island and back. The 44km cruise to Praslin is a scenic ride with the possibility of seeing some islands along the way.

## THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE EXPERIENCES

Visit the Wahoo Bar to enjoy refreshing juices during the day and exotic sunset cocktails served in coconuts, with live entertainment by local talents most evenings.

Dining at the Blue Marlin Restaurant is an experience you should not miss. Services include:

Buffet Breakfast - 730hrs to 1000hrs offering fresh juices, local fruits and all the trimmings of a typical American breakfast.

Lunch - 1100hrs to 1500hrs offering an à la carte menu with international and local cuisines featuring fresh fish and seafood.

Afternoon Tea - 1500hrs to 1800hrs offering a selection of light refreshments.

Dinner - 1930hrs to 2200hrs offering a choice of buffet or a 4-course meal.



## THE LOCATION

The hotel is on Grand Anse beach, ('pieds dan l'eau' location), which is one of the longest beaches on the island and a favourite spot for water based activities, soaking up the sun or simply enjoying the tropical sunset with loved ones. Moreover, located so close to the



sea means you will enjoy fresh fish dishes daily and you'll even get the chance to see the fishermen bringing in their catch.

We are also within reasonable distance from Praslin's main entry points – four minutes away from Amitié Airport and twenty minutes from the Baie Ste Anne Jetty by car.

# ACCOMMODATION & FACILITIES

The recently renovated rooms are a blend of colours one would find by the seaside, soothing to the eyes yet modern and practical. All rooms open on spacious balconies or verandahs where you enjoy breathtaking views of the sea, neighbouring islands and the tropical sunset.

· Inter-connecting rooms

· Satellite television

Hairdryers

#### **Each room features:**

- King size or twins beds
- IDD telephone
- · Mosquito nets
- Safe
- · Mini-fridge
- Smoke detectors
- · Daily housekeeping and nightly turn down service
- · Split level air-conditioning and ceiling fan

#### Other facilities:

- Wi-Fi Internet (available for a fee)
- · Sun loungers for chilling out

The rooms are perfect for families with young children (-10yrs) sleeping on the sofa couches or older children (+10) sleeping in the adjacent inter-connecting room.



# LOCAL ATTRACTIONS

The most famous attraction on Praslin is the Vallée de Mai nature reserve, which over a century ago was proclaimed as the 'original Garden of Eden.' The nature reserve is home to the native coco-de-mer, which is also the largest nut in the world and which in ancient times, was thought to have originated from giant trees under the sea. The nuts were so treasured that only royalty were allowed to own them and even to this day their distribution is strictly restricted. The Vallée-de-Mai with its cascading waterfalls is also home to the native Black Parrot and the Seychelles Bulbul.

Praslin is often heralded as "having the best beaches on the planet." In fact, one of its beaches, Anse Lazio, is listed as the third most beautiful beach in the world by the Guinness Book of Records.

The island itself is the hub to some of the best island hopping excursions to neighbouring islands like Mahé, La Digue, Cousin, Aride which are important sanctuaries, nurturing rare species of endemic flora and fauna.







# SAYING 'I DO'

The Indian Ocean Lodge can cater for every aspect of your dream wedding in paradise, whether you are getting married or renewing your vows. We will make it extra special by offering:

- Decorated location
- Wedding cake
- Surprise local gift
- Photographer
- Intimate dinner for you and/or your guests

It is recommended that you inform us of your big day when you are making reservations.





## **SERVICES**

We provide daily complimentary shuttle service to Cote D'Or Beach for all guests, departing in the morning and returning in the afternoon and we also offer the following services:

- Babysitting Services
- Laundry Service
- 24-hour Security

# PAYABLE RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Diving
- Car Rental
- Big Game Fishing
- Nature Trails
- Sailing
- Excursions on Praslin and neighbouring islands

# WEATHER

The temperature ranges from 24°C to 30°C year round. The south-east trade wind, between May and October, normally creates seasonal movements of seaweeds onto the beach.

# OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

- The local currency is the Seychelles Rupee
- Check Out is at 1000hrs
- A valid international licence is required to rent cars
- Payments can be made by Visa and Master Card and American Express
- Voltage on Praslin is 220 Volts



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