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tend to do is to combine leisure

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exorbitant fees by not checking  
out/or walk around with all their

transaction we are working on. The  
apartments are convenient as the  
rates are all-inclusive and the client  
feels comfortable," he adds.

not just non-foreigners visiting the  
country, but even Ugandans who  
would love to take a break from their  
own homes during holidays.

# WHY YOU NEED TO VISIT SSESE ISLAND THIS CHRISTMAS

By John Masaba

As we approach December, people have started drawing up programmes to travel to the countryside for Christmas.

But for some, finding an ideal holiday destination filled with lots of fun with family is the big thing.

So why not go enjoy Christmas in style at Ssesse Islands?

Imagine holidaying in the wilderness by the lake, with waters lapping against the shoreline as the cool breeze caresses you in the midday sun with your family!

Found on the western part of Lake Victoria, in Kalangala district, Ssesse has 84 islands.

To cash in on growing opportunities available through tourism, several entrepreneurs have set up resorts and hotels, meaning you can spend as much



Guests can play on the beach and relax by the pool side

time as you wish on the islands without thinking about home.

### Scenic Ssesse

According to Lonely Planet, the world's foremost

online tour guide, Ssesse's stunning white-sand beaches set the island apart. The beaches are a delight, especially to foreign visitors, most of whom escape the winter in

the West to sunbathe in the warm Uganda climate by the scenic Lake Victoria.

Lonely Planet also says resumption of ferry services to the Island in 2006 (after services were

suspended in 1996) has been a big factor for its thriving tourism.

Doreen Nyangoma Hazzle, the marketing manager of Brovad Sands Hotel, one of the recreational spots on the Islands says: "On your holiday, you may plan to go bird watching. There is also a tropical forest filled with primates such as monkeys and other species such as the sitatunga antelopes."

As the festive season beckons, Nyangoma says they are hoping to ease the experience of visitors to the island by offering new products such as taking people on a guided tour around the forest to help them enjoy the wildlife and the breathtaking scenic landscape.

"We are asking that you carry comfortable shoes to enjoy the two-hour walk," she says. "Other activities include a boat ride and a live band that

will entertain visitors to ensure this Christmas is an unforgettable experience."

### Getting there

To get to the Islands, one can take a three-hour ferry from Nakiwogo in Entebbe for sh10,000 (ordinary) and sh14,000 (for a VIP seat). Alternatively, one can drive to Masaka, where you can board the Bukatata ferry – a 45-minute journey to the Islands.

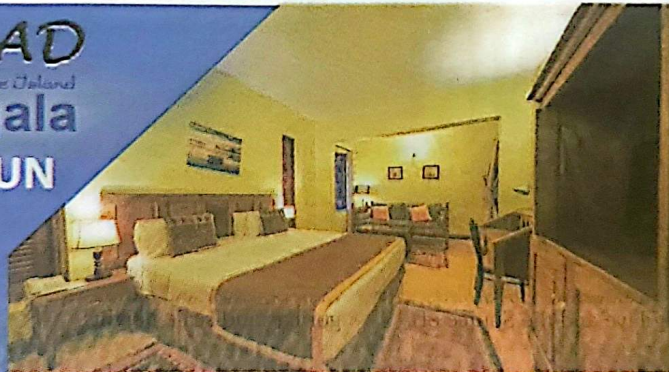
Some people, however, can opt for a speed boat, although at sh3m for ten people, it might turn out to be a little pricy.

Nyangoma says their self-contained grass-thatched cottages with DSTV entertainment will ensure visitors have an amazing experience on the islands. In addition, she says they have several activities for children, such as bouncing castles, cake cutting and games.

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