



## **Be smart! Stay safe!**

By following those safety tips we ensure a safer cohabitation.

### **Avoid entering the water**

- Crocodiles may be there even if you don't see them.
- They can stay underwater for more than 1 hour.
- They cover great distance, usually at night.
- It may not have been there yesterday, but it could be there today.

### **Stay alert**

- Inform others if you see a crocodile.
- Try to avoid the area.
- Always maintain a safe distance between you and a crocodile.
- Crocodiles, like many wild animals, can become accustomed to humans.

### **Crocodiles are most active between dusk and dawn.**

### **Keep away from the water's edge**

- A crocodile can lunge almost his whole body length.
- Stand at least 3m (9 feet) away from the edge.
- Keep all body parts inside your boat at all times.
- Do not camp near the water.
- Don't let pets or small childrens play near the water.

### **Don't throw your food/fish waste in/near the water.**

- Discarding food, fish scraps & dead animals (iguanas, etc) in or near the water will attract crocodiles by providing the opportunity of a free meal.

### **Never feed crocodiles**

- When fed, crocodiles may become habituated to people and may be more likely to become a nuisance.

### **Give crocs their space**

- Crocodiles retain the natural balance in freshwater and estuarine ecosystems.
- Being predator and prey, they play a vital role in keeping our ecosystems healthy.
- Interaction with crocodiles, even babies, is one of the primary causes of conflicts.