

MAURITIUS & REUNION ISLAND

STARTS @ USD 2,999.00 ++ PER PERSON

8 Days & 7 Nights Package: Includes Airfare, Accommodations and Guided Tours

Departure every Saturdays, travel until 31 October 2018



Chamarel – Seven Coloured Earth

DAY 1 (Saturday): (D)

Depart Manila in the morning.
Evening Arrival at Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam International Airport in Mauritius.
Meet and greet. Transfer to Resort from the airport. Dinner at the resort.

DAY 2 (Sunday): (B,L,D)

Breakfast at the resort.

L'Otentik – Dolswim and Casela World of Adventures

Meet and swim with the Dolphins in their natural environment. After an encounter with dolphins in their natural habitat on the west coast, we head off to Casela World of Adventures – a 10 hectare park with 1,500 birds, giant tortoises, monkeys and safari, where you will discover various species of animals. Lunch is with a Mauritian family to discover local food and cultures. Last stop is the flea market of Quatre Bornes for Shopping for clothing, accessories and handicrafts at attractive prices.

Dinner at the resort.

DAY 3 (Monday): (B,L,D)

Breakfast at the resort.

Contrastes & Nuances Tour with Lunch.

Make the most of your time in Mauritius with this sightseeing experience. The journey starts with the visit to Curepipe: 2nd largest city of the island centrally situated and also known as “La Ville Lumiere” since it was the first town in the island to run on electricity. Climb to the upper plateau for a stunning panoramic view of the island from the top of Trou aux Cerfs, a dormant volcano. As we drive southwards to Chamarel for a visit and lunch stop at a rum distillery, you will enjoy the breathtaking landscape adorning the sacred lake of Grand Bassin and the Black River Gorges National Park. In the afternoon, you will discover the natural treasures of Chamarel, including the unusual geological phenomenon of the Seven-Colored Earth and a spectacular waterfall. Dinner at the resort.



Trou Aux Cerfs



DAY 4 (Tuesday): (B, D)

Breakfast at the resort.

Free time to enjoy the resort facilities until departure transfer to the airport for your flight to Reunion Islands.

Saint -Denis - Saint-Gilles

Welcome at Roland Garros airport.

Transfer to the West & balneary coast / Saint Gilles Les Bains Welcome and check-in.

Departure at the end of the afternoon in tuk tuk to the port of Saint Gilles for a sunset cruise with aperitif on board (1h30) and then, back to the hotel. Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

DAY 5 (Wednesday): (B,L,D)

Cirque of Cilaos

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to the South West. First stop in Saint-Leu surroundings along the rocky coast to admire a natural curiosity, the « Souffleur » which means the « Blower ». It's a beautiful kind of white foam geyser, resembling a whale's spout. Then crossing through Saint- Louis : its factories, its mosque, its Hindu temple and its church. We will leave the RN 1 direction to the mountains.

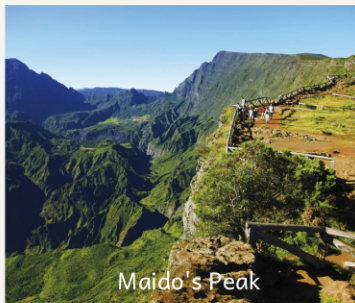
After the crossing of the pretty village of la Rivière Saint-Louis with its traditional Creole huts and its gorgeous gardens « à la Française », we enter in the Bras de Cilaos Valley where takes place the renowned « 400 bends » road ! You will marvel at this setting ! The site uniqueness eases the ascent apprehension, and the ascent to the hamlets is really comfortable. The narrow tunnels, the majestic and graceful Peter Both, the unusual village of Palmiste Rouge, the dizzy ramparts and the lush summits will make you forget the time. Because time in this landscapes are eternity fragments that nobody wants to count ! Here is Cilaos at 1300 meters of altitude on average ! Thermal, sporty and farming city, it's above all the place where exists the highest French wine lands ! The Chamonix twin is a heaven. From la Roche Merveilleuse site, we overlook the whole Cirque, and beyond the legend, the spectacular views will exhausted all the superlatives that you could know ! After the handcraft visit of the « Jours de Cilaos », an embroidery house and a Creole lunch, we will get back to the coast.

Higher altitude: 1000 metres

Temperatures: 12 to 25°C

Don't forget to bring good shoes, rainwear, pullover, sunscreen cream and mosquito lotion.

Back to the hotel at the end of the afternoon.
Dinner and overnight at the hotel.



Maito's Peak



Le Piton de La Fournaise (Peak of the Furnace)



Souffleur - The Blower

DAY 6 (Thursday): (B,L,D) 4WD VOLCANO AND SOUTH COAST

Breakfast at the hotel.

Departure direction St Pierre and the volcano, considered as one of the most active volcano on the world (around 3 eruption per year). Born thanks to an important eruption at the South East of the island 400 000 years ago, it covers a third of the island. At Bourg Murat, you'll take the forest path to the volcano. Along the road, you won't miss the numerous awesome points of views.

First : Nez de Boeufs, an exceptional panorama on the "Rivière des Remparts", a huge canyon witness of the first caldera caused by the volcano summit falling down. Next, discovery of the amazing and indescribable lunar landscape of the "Plaine des Sables" born thanks to the second volcano falling down. The arrival at Pas de Bellecombe, located at 2311m of altitude is very surprising : its majesty "Le Piton de la Fournaise" stands up in the middle of Fouquet enclosure. Continuation to the most beautiful landscape of the Wild South via La Plaine des Palmistes which is still an authentic village with magnificent creole huts. You will cross "Rivière de l'Est" bridge, a wonderful work which will take you in Sainte Rose.

The discovery continue with the rivers of lava that crossed the national road several times during the past decades (flow lava in 1977 which has destroy many villages but miraculously avoid the Piton Sainte Rose church). Then, you'll see the lava flow of 2005, a real natural masterpiece, which had the same trails of the lava flow of January 2002 which swallows up the site "La Vierge au Parasol" before jumping into the ocean. The lava flow of 2004 keeps an original eruption with the appearance of several cones at sea level. Before going away from the enclosure, you'll benefit from a last view on the capricious lava flow of 2001, the lava flow of November 2002 without forgetting the lava flow of April 2007. Continuation through the forest of "Basse Vallée" to discover one of the most delicate and mysterious cultures in the area : the vanilla. Then you will reach a guesthouse to savour a traditional creole lunch.

Direction Cap Méchant where the very rough sea never grow tired to throw over-size geysers to the sky.

Higher altitude : 2360 metres
Temperatures : 3 to 21°C
Don't forget to bring good shoes, rainwear, pullover, sunscreen cream and mosquito lotion.

Back to the hotel at the end of the day crossing St Joseph and St Pierre.
Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

DAY 7 (Friday): (B,D) MAÏDO'S PEAK (Half day)

Breakfast at the hotel.
Departure for an exceptional ascent ! After 27 km, you will be from the sea level to 2 200 m of altitude ! The landscape changes as one goes along the ascent : villages, acacias forest, geranium fields, typical forest of tamarins and finally the edge of Mafate Cirque. This sightseeing reveals a spectacular and breath-taking island ! A cirque over more than 9 000 hectares is at your feet ; about fifteen villages and thousand kilometres of trekking paths are hidden in the bustling meanders of an appealing mountain. The Indian Ocean summit is here, it is within reach. Distances are impossible to calculate, here all is spectacular ! On the way back, stop over in a geranium essence oil producer for a discovery of Creole customs linked at free living besides the essence oil's typical aroma.

On Friday only, Saint Paul's market is a rich summary of Indian Ocean products. Stroll about its colourful aisles through Martin hot pepper, baskets of bitter Margoze, Pitaya crates, delicious Qunquat cardboard boxes, naïve malagasy embroideries, home cooked meats, hats and bags hand-woven in Vacoa. The visit of this market on the ocean banks leaves its mark on your souvenirs for a long time.

Higher altitude : 2205 metres
Temperatures : 8 to 23°C
Don't forget to bring good shoes, rainwear, pullover, sunscreen cream and mosquito lotion.

Back to the hotel at the end of the morning
Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

DAY 8 (Saturday): (B) SAINT GILLES - SAINT DENIS

Breakfast at the hotel.
Free Time until departure for the airport for your flight home.

FLIGHT DETAILS:

SQ 915 SAT MNLSIN 0740 1120
MK 246 SAT SINMRU 1535 1845
MK 238 TUE MRURUN 1530 1615
MK 239 SAT RUNMRU 1730 1815
MK 646 SAT MRUSIN 2040 0750+1
SQ 912 SAT SINMNL 1200 1535

INCLUDED:

- Roundtrip Airfare on Air Mauritius
- 3 Nights Stay in Mauritius at Outrigger Resort 5* on twin sharing basis or similar - half board
- 4 Nights Stay in Reunion Island at Boucan Canot Hotel 4* on twin sharing basis or similar - half board
- Airport Welcome, round trip private hotel - airport transfers
- L'Otentik Tour with Lunch on SIC
- Contrastes and Nuances Tour with Lunch on SIC
- Reunion Island Information, Island map, & Vouchers
- Reunion Island Visits, activities on Private Basis mentioned in the program
- Transport with air-conditioned vehicle
- English speaking driver/guide
- Meals as mentioned in the program

EXCLUDED:

- Air Taxes Including PH TAX
- Fuel Surcharge

NOTES:

- * Minimum 2 pax must travel together
- * Rates are subject to change without prior notice
- * Bookings are subject to availability and confirmation
- * USD 2,999.00 ++ per person during lean season: April 8 to September 30, 2018
- * USD 3,199.00 ++ per person during high season : October 1 to 31, 2018



St. Paul's Market

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