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### LUX\* BELLE MARE - MAURITIUS WINS THE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL OF THE YEAR AWARD AT FOOD AND TRAVEL AWARDS 2016

LUX\* Belle Mare is delighted to announce that, at the Food and Travel Reader Awards 2016 ceremony held last night in London, the resort was awarded "International Hotel in the Year".

The much respected and world-recognised Food and Travel Magazine addresses an audience in search of the ultimate gourmet destinations, discovering the many unique flavours that make up an area's culinary identity. Over the past two months, Food and Travel Magazine has been asking their readers to nominate their favourites in the world of food, drink and travel for their 2016 Reader Awards, and LUX\* Belle Mare whisked the trophy.

Ashish Modak, General Manager of LUX\* Belle Mare shares, "It is a privilege to see that the talent, creativity and hard work of our dedicated team members is being recognised. The whole team at LUX\* Belle Mare has one objective which is to help people celebrate life by making each moment matter. This award comes as a statement that what we try to achieve is acknowledged and enjoyed by our guests."

Fresh in feel, look and style, LUX\* Belle Mare's mod-colonial suites and private thatched villas are set along an exquisite coastline, with crystal clear waters and the best beach of the island. LUX\* Belle Mare has recently been refurbished throughout, with London-based designer Kelly Hoppen breathing new life into the resort with her fresh take on Mauritian hospitality. At the heart of our resort, the island's largest swimming pool is overlooked by MIXE, a forward-thinking destination for foodies. Gently buzzing by day and vibrant by night, Beach Rouge is a restaurant-bar with soul. Expect excellent service everywhere: from the skilled baristas of Café LUX\* to the experts of the Dive Shop. Guests can refine their swing at three nearby golf courses (all world-class), while local water sports include big-game fishing, scuba diving, and excursions in traditional pirogue fishing boats. In its fragrant spa, highly qualified therapists ensure that guests return home feeling their best – through treatments, yoga or Tai Chi.

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LUX\* Resorts & Hotels helps people to celebrate life by delivering consistently on the promise of a different kind of Luxury; hospitality that is Lighter.Brighter. LUX\* stages exceptional experiences in different locales – whether on the Beach, in the City or in Nature – by banishing thoughtless patterns and being more simple, fresh and sensory than our competitors.

The resorts and hotels in the LUX\* portfolio include LUX\* Belle Mare, Mauritius; LUX\* Le Morne, Mauritius; LUX\* Grand Gaube, Mauritius; LUX\* South Ari Atoll, Maldives; LUX\* Saint Gilles, Reunion Island, LUX\* Tea Horse Road Lijiang, Yunnan Province, China, and LUX\* Tea Horse Road Benzilan, Yunnan Province, China. LUX\* Lijiang and Benzilan hotels are start of a collection of six luxury boutique hotels along an exciting new circuit of distinctive stays allowing guests to discover the legends of the Tea Horse Road first hand.

Other new properties in the pipeline and opening soon LUX\* Al Zorah, United Arab Emirates; LUX\* North Male Atoll, Maldives; LUX\* Sud Sauvage, Reunion Island, LUX\* Bodrum, Turkey, LUX\* Dianshan Lake, China and LUX\* Phu Quoc, Vietnam.

LUX\* Resorts & Hotels is a member of Lux Island Resorts Co Ltd, which is listed on the Stock Exchange Market of Mauritius and is an affiliate member of IBL, a major economic player in the Indian Ocean, leader of the "Top 100" Mauritian companies. IBL is active in key sectors of the Mauritian economy, representing a portfolio of approximately 300 subsidiaries and associated companies.

Other properties managed by LUX\* Resorts & Hotels are Tamassa, Bel Ombre, Mauritius; Merville Beach, Grand Baie, Mauritius and Hôtel Le Récif, Réunion Island, as well Ile des Deux Cocos, Mauritius, a private paradise island.

#### 100% CARBON FREE HOLIDAYS AT LUX\* RESORTS & HOTELS

LUX\* Resorts & Hotels strongly believes in sustainable tourism development, and has embarked in a journey towards a carbon clean future through its project "Tread Lightly". Tread Lightly is the offsetting 100% of the carbon emissions emitted during guests stay. The carbon offsetting contribution is used to support various offsetting projects in developing countries within the regions where LUX\* is operating. To learn more about the LUX\* Tread Lightly €1 per day voluntary participation carbon-offsetting fee, please visit [www.luxtreadlightly.com](http://www.luxtreadlightly.com)