
**Sustainable tourism:
8 LUX* Group hotels in the Indian Ocean are awarded the 'Green Globe' certification**

The 8 hotels of LUX* Resorts & Hotels group in the Indian Ocean are now certified 'Green Globe'. The hotels are LUX* Le Morne (Mauritius), LUX* Grand Gaube (Mauritius), LUX* Belle-Mare (Mauritius), Tamassa (Mauritius), Melville Beach (Mauritius), LUX* Saint-Gilles (Reunion Island), Le Recife Hotel (Reunion Island), and LUX* South Ari Atoll (Maldives). The award ceremony was held on Saturday 30 June.

"This certification is an acknowledgment of our good performance regarding our sustainable development strategy, initiated years ago by the LUX Resorts and Hotel group. This award also highlights the devotion of our team members from every department for they provide high quality service while being active participants in good governance, social responsibility, respecting ethical and environmental norms and committed to workers' rights and equal opportunities when recruiting and promoting staff"* says Paul Jones, Chief Executive Officer of the LUX* Group.

LUX* is the first hotel group to be listed on the sustainable development index of the Stock Exchange of Mauritius and to adopt the integrated reporting as a member of the GRI Gold Community. In line with the sustainable development, LUX*'s strategy embodies current flagship projects, renowned both locally and internationally, such as the Tread Lightly by LUX*, and Ray Of Light by LUX*, aiming to increase the quality of life of the communities in which it operates.

"Our sustainable development strategy in all our destinations involves different areas simultaneously. Our adherence to good governance practices, our CSR strategies and our ecological approach help to foster the concept of circular economy. The environment constitutes an element that our business depends on and it is our duty to preserve it for future generations. We believe that each sustainable development pillar is equally important, whether it be human rights, human resources, respecting others' culture, including and integrating the communities which surround us or providing top-quality service. Good governance is crucial. We would like to thank every member of our team", states Vishnee Sowamber, Group Sustainability & Corporate Social Responsibility Manager of the LUX* group.

"Since its inception, LUX has always built upon strong values such as integrity, innovation or leadership. All our hotels are delighted to welcome a recognition of their commitment to values and to LUX*'s commitment to sustainable development. This is many years of hard work which has been implemented in each of our hotels in all of our destinations"*, highlights Dominik Ruhl, Chief Operating Officer at LUX*.

Green Globe is one of the most prestigious certification and Performance Improvement Programme specifically designed for the travel and tourism industry. This certification rewards hotels who opted for an approach aiming to improve the environmental and social management of their activities and relying on values such as good governance, human rights, transparency, independent audits, respect of cultures and ethics in human resource management and in their operations.

The auditing took place in February and March, it covered a complete list of more than 380 criteria and included departments which had to be evaluated and audited such as management, human resources, finances, accounting, purchases and kitchens, norms, legislations, etc. LUX* was awarded with the Green Globe certification (Standard 1.7), including the certification's latest norms. The hotel group now forms part of other thousands of hotel groups worldwide having obtained this certification, demonstrating not only a commitment but a conviction to priorities sustainable tourism.

- End -

For further information, contact Axelle Mazery – Group Public Relations Manager E: Axelle.Mazery@luxresorts.com
T: + 230 6989800 or visit our [online media centre](#)

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.

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, LUX* Tea Horse Road Benzilan, Yunnan Province, China, and LUX* Bodrum, Turkey.

Other new properties in the pipeline and opening soon LUX* Al Zorah, United Arab Emirates; LUX* North Male Atoll, Maldives; LUX* Tuscany Italy, LUX* Dianshan Lake, Suzhou, China, LUX* Phu Quoc, Vietnam, LUX* Luxe Lakes, Chengdu, China, and LUX* Wolong Chengdu, China

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 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

The eight LUX* Resorts & Hotels hotels in the Indian Ocean are now certified Green Globe. Green Globe is the first global certification and performance improvement specially designed for the travel and tourism industry.