

Event: Tropica'Dingue partners with Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels for its 3rd edition

After the resounding success of its first two editions, the Tropica'Dingue will take place at Mon Trésor on Sunday 13th May for the third year running. As in previous years, it will be organised by Ilop Sport and supported by Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels and the Mon Trésor business group. The Tropica'Dingue's 2018 edition was inaugurated at a press conference held at Beachcomber headquarters on Thursday 8th February 2018.

In the aim of attracting over 2500 participants, who will run solo or in teams of 3 to 6 people, the 3rd edition of the Tropica'Dingue will offer Tropica'Dingers more opportunities for fun and laughs than ever. As always, participants will be invited to don costumes for the wackiest sports event on the island.

The Tropica'Dingue is a one-of-a-kind concept consisting of a 9km course interspersed with obstacles such as tires, nets, mud ponds, sand, slides and more, all with a soundtrack provided by a dedicated DJ. Whether they run with friends, family or colleagues, Tropica'Dingue participants cannot help but have a good time.

Arianne Devienne Bellepeau, Leisure and Events Manager at Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels, expects the Tropica'Dingue's third edition to be as successful as the first two events. She explains that "Beachcomber is proud to partner with yet another edition of the Tropica'Dingue. This event combines sports and nature, in line with the focus of Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels' events. Our sales teams in Mauritius and abroad will work together to encourage our guests to take part in the race and experience something truly exceptional during their stay in Mauritius."

The event will open for registration on Saturday 10th February 2018. Those who would like to take part can sign up online at <u>www.tropicadingue.mu</u>. Registration costs Rs 1000 per person. Additional information is also available via the Tropica'Dingue's dedicated Facebook page: <u>www.facebook.com/tropicadingue.maurice</u>.

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About Beachcomber

Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels is the pioneer and leader of the Mauritian tourism industry. Since the creation of Park Hotel in 1952, a collection of 9 resorts have emerged over the years, including the mythical Royal Palm Beachcomber Luxury Mauritius in 1985, considered by everyone as the reference in hospitality for luxury holidays in Mauritius.

The Group recently expanded its collection, with the integration of the Beachcomber French Riviera, situated on the Côte d'Azur, in France.

The collection of 9 resorts affords a choice of accommodation options ranging from rooms and apartments to suites and villas. Each hotel is imbued with a particular history and cachet, embodying an image of discrete luxury.

Social responsibility – Fondation Espoir Développement (FED), by Beachcomber

Set up and financed by Beachcomber since 1999, with the participation of hotels and employees, this foundation takes care of these main projects:

- Projet Employabilité Jeunes (PEJ): professional insertion of school drop-outs through a training programme and industrial attachments.
- Collaboration with NGOs, schools and associations
- Regional projects youth mentoring: the "Amour et Espoir" NGO; IT initiation; youth monitoring via the "Duke of Edinburgh International Award" programme, participation of regional sports clubs in the organisation of the Beachcomber UTRB Trail 2015

Social responsibility – Local Hands

Programme launched in 2006 to support small local artisans by providing them with training and guidance as they embark upon the process of creation, production, marketing and sales.

Sustainable development – our environmental actions – EarthCheck label

Sustainable development and environmental protection constitute real considerations within the Group, which has set up, amongst other initiatives, practices that ensure energy savings and favour renewable energy sources. These initiatives in favour of sustainable development have been recognised and rewarded, with two of our hotels recently obtaining the EarthCheck Benchmarked Bronze accreditation for their ongoing commitment to environmentally responsible practices.