

## Mauritius Tour Beachcomber 2018: When Endurance Sports Go Hand-in-Hand with 5-Star Experience

Set in the heart of a paradise island, the Mauritius Tour Beachcomber (MTB) is the perfect combination of sports challenge and hospitality. Since its launching, the competition has continued to live up to its reputation. One of the most awaited sports events in Mauritius, this mountain biking race gathers high-profile mountain bikers, amazing sceneries, adrenaline and strong sensations. This year again, for its third edition scheduled from May 17-19, the MTB will combine endurance sports with 5-star experience.

Most of the stages of the MTB 2018 will start and end at Shandrani Beachcomber. Nestled on a peninsula shielded by a marine park, Shandrani Beachcomber is the perfect venue for the event. The resort offers an array of activities for an energetic holiday: a pitch-and-putt golf course, sailing club, diving centre and kids club.

The hotel's team members will do their utmost to offer a topnotch 5-star experience to the bikers: an exceptional welcome with careful attention to detail, and of course, quality feeding zones designed and accomplished by the Executive Chefs of the Beachcomber Hotels and their kitchen crew. Dynamic massages are also on the menu after each stage of the race.

The bikers will also have a bike washing facility and security and medical teams.

The newbie this year is the organisation of a children's race on Saturday, May 19, featuring fun activities for kids.

"Since its launching three years ago, the MTB has grown into a successful event both locally and internationally through the participation of high-profile athletes - James Reid, the patron of this year's competition, belongs to the elite category in South Africa - and well-defined trails, the welcome and the quality refilling executed by our teams," confirms Arianne Devienne-Bellepeau, Leisure & Events Manager at Beachcomber.

"We can count on the keen support of our sponsors: PNL, Panagora, Nestlé and 121 Optical for another spectacular edition," adds Arianne.



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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.