

**Professional golfer Thomas Linard designated Beachcomber Ambassador**

Blessed with an exceptional sunshine, diverse and first-class courses, Mauritius has become a go-to golf destination. It is in this heavenly setting that Beachcomber Group has imposed itself as a golf expert attracting golfers all year round for annual tournaments, both for professionals and amateurs. The group has become a reference in the field with its four golf resorts and the organization of major events. This status strengthened a year ago when the group sealed an exclusive partnership with Mont Choisy Le Golf, a unique 18-hole course in the north of the island.

Thomas Linard has been designated as Beachcomber Ambassador. A professional golfer since 2007, he won the D+D Czech Challenge in 2014 and finished 5<sup>th</sup> at the NBO Golf Classic in Oman. A participant in the Challenge Tour in 2018, this season holds all its promises for the golfer who will once again participate in 23 tournaments of the same Challenge Tour. Thomas Linard will fly to Mauritius and get acquainted with the different circuits and make the most of the infrastructure of the Paradis Golf Club and its hotel. He will seize the opportunity to prepare himself at the foot of Le Morne mountain next to the crystalline waters of the lagoon.

After having signed Dean Burmester as golf ambassador in 2017, Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels is delighted to add Thomas Linard in its prestigious family of ambassadors. Thanks to this exclusive partnership; the group can shine on the finest European fairways during key golf competitions.

With an exceptional fairway and this exclusive partnership with Mont Choisy Le Golf, Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels allow its residents and professionals to have a unique golfing experience amidst the sea and the mountain, greens and fairways, much to the delight of amateurs and professionals who could not dream of a better setting to hone their swing.

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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 Silver accreditation for their ongoing commitment to environmentally responsible practices.