

EarthCheck Silver certification for all Beachcomber properties

Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels maintains its leadership position in terms of environmentally responsible practices through achieving the EarthCheck Silver certification for its Head Office and hotel properties in Mauritius.

Following a recent audit, the entire Group now holds the EarthCheck Silver certification. Beachcomber Resorts & Hotels thus renews a strong commitment to align its business activities with environmental compliance.

A new significant milestone has been achieved through receiving such international recognition for the practices embraced by Beachcomber. Forming part of the Group's sustainable development programme, it reflects a long-standing environmental commitment.

The EarthCheck Silver certification enhances the resolve of Beachcomber to find sustainable solutions to the challenges facing the planet. The Group is reaping the fruits of substantial investment in systems and practices to promote energy efficiency and reduce CO₂ emissions.

This recognition is also the culmination of the daily effort and mobilisation of all Artisans working at the Group's Head Office and eight hotels across Mauritius. It is a reward especially for the intensive work carried out by the Green Team.

Beachcomber Resort & Hotels' Group Engineering Manager, Mathieu Rivet explains that this certification is a source of great pride for the Group. It marks a new milestone in our commitment to economic, social and environmental sustainability, he says.

The world's leading scientific benchmarking, certification and advisory group for travel and tourism, EarthCheck has since 1987 helped businesses, communities and governments to deliver clean, safe, prosperous and healthy destinations for travellers to visit, live, work and play.

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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 mentoring 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 all of our hotels recently obtaining the EarthCheck Benchmarked Silver accreditation for their ongoing commitment to environmentally responsible practices.