Mauritius - Like Visiting a Living Dream by Prashantkumar

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Visiting Mauritius is like living in a dream. You will not know reality ends and dream begins. This enchanting island is alluring due to its beautiful beaches, exquisite marine life, endemic flora and fauna, rugged mountains, cascading waterfalls and elegant countryside.

Mauritius is a small, multicultural island in the Indian Ocean, located east of Madagascar. Discovering this island and people of colorful customs and traditions is like taking a journey into some of the fascinating and refined culture ever. It is a country where Europe meets India, China and Africa in a frenzy of colors, scents and flavors. The traditional festivals and religious ceremonies have passed the test of time untouched. This along with the mixture of other diverse cultures makes for a fascinating kaleidoscope.

The important attraction of Mauritius packages is its lagoons and seas. As most of the white beaches of Mauritius are protected by a coral reef barrier that encircles almost the entire coastline with the exception of southern end, the seas are relatively calm and shallow making it safe for swimming. In the southern beaches wilder waters and dramatic cliffs can be observed. The beaches are ideal for sunbathing also. From the plains in the north the country rises to central plateau dotted by lakes and extinct volcanic craters. Around the main island are scattered a few uninhabited islets.

The prominent beaches included in Mauritius holiday packages are Grand Bay, Pereybere, Belle Mare, Blue Bay, Le Morne, Tamarin and Flic en Flac.

Grand Bay is one of the best areas for sailing, wind surfing and water skiing. Pereybare is one of the finest spot in island apt for bathing. Belle Mare offers a very long white and spotless beach. Blue Bay is a popular bathing spot in the south east of island and is also ideal for wind surfing and sailing. Le Morne and Tamarin offer a very elongated beach and are popular for surfing. Flic en Flac offers white beaches lined by Casuarina trees.

Mauritius package tours include many interesting destinations. Some of them are Grand Bay, Pereybere, Balaclava Ruins, Triolet Shivala and Labourdonnais in North; Flacq, Waterpark Leisure and Ile aux Cerfs in East; Dutch Ruins, Ile aux Aigrettes, Mahebourg, Domaine du and Souillac in South east; Martello Towers, Chamarel, Tamarin, Casela and Yemen in West and Lâ€™Aventure, Ganga Talao - Grand Bassin, Black River Gorges and Eureka in Inland.

Grand bay is a shopping and leisure paradise. It holds a vibrant night life also. Pereybere, apart from the beach is famous for its shopping facilities, restaurants and pubs. The ruins of old Balaclava Estate can be seen a few meters away from Baie aux Tortues, named, thus after the number of tortoises seen, by seventeenth century sailors. Triolet Shivala is the longest village on the island. It homes the biggest Hindu temple, the Maheswarnath with main deities of Shiva, Krishna, Vishnu, Muruga, Brahma and Ganesha. In Labourdonnais large variety of tropical fruit trees and colorful and fragrant exotic flowers can be seen. Mountain biking and hiking are also possible.

Flacq which is the meeting point for inhabitants of the east of the country boasts of the largest open market of the country. This extremely colorful market attracts a lot of attention. Many water based entertainment is available in Water Park. Ile aux Cerfs is a tiny island with a beautiful beach. It is a paradise for water sports.

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