## MAURITIUS CROWNED LEADING ADVENTURE DESTINATION AND LEADING WEDDING DESTINATION IN INDIAN OCEAN

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## Wins prestigious accolades at the 28th World Travel Awards 2021

(Port Louis, 25 October 2021) Mauritius has been honoured with the titles of the Indian Ocean's Leading Adventure Destination, and the Indian Ocean's Leading Wedding Destination, at the World Travel Awards 2021.

Happy couples choose to tie the knot in Mauritius due to its exotic beach locations and superb accommodation options. The stunning island scenery offers the perfect backdrop for romantic wedding ceremonies, providing an idyllic honeymoon destination.

Meanwhile, thrillseekers are heading to Mauritius in growing numbers for unique adventure holiday experiences, with mountain hiking, kitesurfing and various other water sports attracting enthusiasts from all over the world.



Demand for vacations in Mauritius is increasing rapidly, as consumers in its key markets respond to changes in travel restrictions, which have made holidays easier to arrange. Air Mauritius has ramped up flight capacity from France, South Africa, Réunion and the UK over the coming months, and other airlines are doing the same.

Since 1st October, vaccinated travellers have been free from quarantine on arriving in Mauritius providing testing requirements are fulfilled. Recognition at such a prestigious awards ceremony is expected to increase demand still further.

Arvind Bundhun, Director of Mauritius Tourism Promotion Authority, said: "It is a real honour for Mauritius to be recognised as the Indian Ocean's Leading Adventure Tourism Destination for 2021, as well as the Leading Wedding Destination in the region. We are very proud of the range of experiences we offer to visitors, and we are delighted to see voters' appreciation.

"Wedding days are the highlight of a couple's life, and the fact that visitors from all over the world are choosing Mauritius as their ideal location to exchange vows is a feather in our cap. We have also seen many couples announce their engagements in our hotels and resorts.

"These awards are a testament to the hard work, commitment and dedication of our tourism industry workers over what has been a challenging period. Everyone has worked tirelessly to ensure we are able to give guests an authentic Mauritian paradise experience. We look forward to welcoming more holidaymakers and wedding parties throughout the summer season."

Travellers and newlyweds are choosing Mauritius not only for its renowned attractions, but also for its safety and security. Mauritius has had one of the best Covid responses in the world – boasting a vaccination rate of over 88.4% of adults – and has a first-class health system.

Mauritius is nearing its summer season, which starts in November. At this time of year, travellers find the perfect climate to enjoy the nation's legendary beaches, as well as a wide range of other outdoor activities.



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