



MAURITIUS NAMED IN LONELY PLANET'S TOP THREE COUNTRIES TO VISIT IN 2022

Mauritius features third in Lonely Planet's annual 'Best in Travel' list

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Friday 29th October 2021, London – Lonely Planet, one of the world's most renowned travel guide producers, has unveiled its top 10 countries to visit in 2022 with Mauritius named in its top three.

The travel guide company, which has been providing inspiring and trustworthy information for travellers since 1973, published its annual Best in Travel list yesterday. This highly anticipated list shares Lonely Planet's expertise on the most desirable destinations and travel experiences for the year ahead.

Lonely Planet's Best in Travel list takes into consideration hundreds of recommended destinations worldwide, from which a shortlist is then selected by the guide's panel of five travel experts and enthusiasts. In the 2022 edition, the top 10 countries are each chosen for their topicality and readiness to welcome visitors in 2022, their offering of unique experiences and 'wow' factor and additionally their commitment to sustainable tourism practices. This edition places particular emphasis on the best sustainable travel experiences and reveals how tourists can have a positive impact on the world by providing practical advice on sustainable travel choices and informing readers how they can support local communities and celebrate inclusivity.

Deputy Prime Minister, Hon. Steven Obeegadoo commented: "We're delighted that Mauritius has been recognised by Lonely Planet as a must-visit destination for 2022. Mauritius has been consistently celebrated in recent years for developing sustainable activities and practices for incoming tourists. From our multitude of green zones, including forests, parks and nature reserves, to our offering of eco-friendly activities such as electric-biking and the banning of single use plastics, Mauritius is an exemplary case of eco-tourism in action."

According to Lonely Planet's VP of Experience, Tom Hall, the release of Lonely Planet's annual "hot list" of destinations and travel experiences could not be more timely. "After an enforced hiatus, it's time to take those long-postponed travel plans off the shelf and make them a reality." Hall also asserted: "The lists celebrate the world in all its wonderful enticing variety, from the lagoons and forests of the Cook Islands to the waterfalls and mountains of Iceland's Westfjords, via Auckland's natural and urban delights."

The Top 10 Countries category was one of four categories in the list which also included Top 10 Regions, Top 10 Cities and Top 10 Best Value Destinations.

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