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02nd to 06th July 2018



The main conference tour will be on Wednesday 04th July 2018 and there are three choices.



OPTION 1: COLOURFUL SOUTH (FULL DAY)

This excursion is an insight into a different taste of Mauritian scenery. From the centre of Phoenix, you will come to visit the Mauritius Glass Gallery which is a Glass Blowing factory where you will be able to find handmade gifts & souvenirs made of 100% recycled glass. Leave Phoenix and drive to Curepipe where a tarred road leads gently up to and round the rim of Trou-aux-Cerfs, an extinct volcanic crater, whose floor is now heavily wooded. From there, you will enjoy a magnificent view over the whole island and its mountain ranges.







The drive south takes to Grand-Bassin (Ganga Talao), the Ganges reincarnate and pilgrimage place for the Hindu. The trip continues through the forest reserve of *Plaine-Champagne*, with a stop at a viewpoint over the spectacular Black River Gorges. As you travel through thick Chinese Guava groves, you arrive at *Varangue sur Morne*, the halt for lunch. Perched like a silver butterfly over a sea of greenery and originally a gamekeeper's lodge, this restaurant offers a breathtaking view over the South and West, where the only surviving native forest of the island is found. After an enjoyable lunch, make your way through "*Trochetia*" nature trail to see some endemic and medicinal plants.







The tour continues with the discovery of the Rhumerie of Chamarel, where you will get familiar with the different steps in the manufacture of agricultural rum which will be followed by tasting of the different blends produced by the distillery.

Proceed to the magnificent Chamarel waterfall emerging from the moors on the way down to the unique seven-coloured earths of Chamarel. The unusual mounds of undulating land stretching in contrasting rainbow coloured layers of earth are believed to be the result of weathering and volcanic origin.

On the way back, stop at a viewpoint overlooking *Morne* Mountain and *Benitiers* Island.



Itinerary:

09h00	Leave the hotel and proceed to the town of Phoenix
10h00 - 10h30	Mauritius Glass Gallery
10h45 – 11h00	Short stop at Trou aux Cerfs
11h30 - 12h00	Grand Bassin Sacred Lake
12h15 – 12h35	Photo Stop at the Black River Gorges View
12h45 - 13h45	Lunch at Varangue Sur Morne Restaurant
14h05 – 14h45	La Rhumerie de Chamarel
15h00 – 16h00	Chamarel Seven Coloured Earths & Waterfalls
16h00 – 17h00	Panoramic drive along the west coastal road
17h00/17h15	Back to the Hotels

Lunch Menu:

BUFFET LUNCH

Seasonal garden salad
Balsamic vinegar
Olive oil
Sauce cocktail
Vinaigrette
Mayonnaise

Chou chou gratin with creamy cheese sauce and fresh herbs

Basmati rice

Seasonal Vegetables

Fish fillet with Créole sauce

Chicken and Potato Curry.

Seasonal Pickles.

Red kidney beans

DESSERT

Coconut Duo: Coconut Sagoo served with Coconut Ice Cream

DRINKS PACKAGE

1/2 Water + 1/2 Wine + Beer or 01 Soft or Juice and Coffee.

Services	Per person
Cost of Excursion (including transfers in air-conditioned deluxe coaches, entrance fees, lunch and accompanied by a professional English speaking guide)	MUR 3,200

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Minimum number of persons required to run this tour: 15



OPTION 2: NORTHERN DISCOVERY (FULL DAY)

As an independent country with a colonial background, Mauritius has a rich historical legacy. This tour make you discover some of the most valuable heritage we have from the colonial period.

Proceed to the Aapravasi Ghat Immigration Depot is a UNESCO World Heritage site. It is the only surviving remnant of an immigration depot typical of depots established in the second half of the nineteenth century to welcome indentured labourers. After it proved successful, it was replicated in other British colonies as well as in French, Dutch and Spanish colonies.







Leave Port Louis for L'Aventure du Sucre, an old sugar factory converted into a museum where episodes of the great Mauritian epic unfold through images, colours and sounds: sugar trade routes, history of settlers from East and West: sugar technologies and know-how. The Village-Boutik offers the opportunity to sample special sugars and Mauritian rum and buy exclusive gifts and souvenirs.

A succulent lunch will be served in the restaurant Le Fangourin located in the same compound.

You cannot miss the visit of Pamplemousses Botanical Gardens created by famous botanist Pierre Poivre in 1767 on the estate of French Governor Mahé de Labourdonnais. His Chateau de Mon Plaisir built in 1735, still stands firm. The samadhi (funeral shrine) of the Father of the Nation, Sir Seewoosagur Ramgoolam, lies peacefully in the garden which bears his name as homage...







The day ends in Port-Louis. A stop at La Citadel Fort will give you a nice photo opportunity at one of the highest point in the Capital city. Take advantage of the shopping opportunities in Caudan Waterfront with its numerous boutiques which display beautiful collections of local designers and famous brands. Its craft market is an open bazaar, impregnated by exotic scents of spices, souvenirs and basketry... The recent extension, Dias Pier, named after a famous Portuguese explorer, houses shops, cafés and bars.



Itinerary:

09h00	Leave the hotel and drive to Port Louis
10h00 - 10h45	Aapravasi Ghat UNESCO World Heritage Site
11h05 – 12h00	L'Aventure du Sucre and the village boutique
12h00 - 13h00	Lunch at Le Fangourin Restaurant
13h05 - 14h00	Pamplemousses Botanical Garden
14h15 – 14h30	Stop at La Citadelle Fort
14h45 – 16h15	Time at Leisure in Port Louis (The Caudan Waterfront and Port Louis Local
	Market)
16h15	Leave Port Louis and drive back to Hotel
17h00/17h15	Back to the Hotels

Lunch Menu:

Starter: Island chutney accompanied with garlic and parsley toast

Artisanal Salad with lemon and passion fruit vinaigrette

Main Course: Mauritian Chicken and Shrimps curry with coconut milk accompanied with

rice

Dessert: Panacotta with Pinacolada cream

Beverages ½ Water + ½ Wine + Beer or 01 Soft or Juice

Coffee or Infusion per person

Services	Per person
Cost of Excursion (including transfers in air-conditioned deluxe coaches, entrance fees, 3 course menu lunch and accompanied by a professional English speaking guide for the tour)	MUR 3,200

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OPTION 3: NATURE ESCAPADE (FULL DAY)

The first stop is at the Biscuiterie Rault which was founded in 1870 by the Family Rault, making it the oldest biscuit factory in Mauritius. As well as learning a few things about how the famous biscuits Manioc are made from cassava flour, after the tour you will be able to try this local delicacy with a delicious cup of Mauritian tea.







Drive to Pointe Jérôme to board the boat to the 25-hectare nature reserve of Ile-aux-Aigrettes, set in the turquoise waters of the bay. Discover the protected flora and fauna unique to Mauritius. Managed by the Mauritian Wildlife Foundation (MWF), the islet harbors indigenous plants and coastal ebony forests, once the Dodo's home. This conservation programme ensures the survival of rare species like the Pink Pigeon, the colourful day gecko and the giant Aldabra tortoise in total freedom. If you are lucky, you may see the rare Oeniella Aphrodite orchid in full bloom.







The Ferney Valley is a natural reserve inside one of the last indigenous forests in Mauritius. It has been saved from destruction by a very determined group of ecologists who challenged a governmental project to build a motorway linking the airport to the east coast that would go right through the forest. The project is supported by the Mauritian Wildlife Foundation whose aim is to ensure the forest of Ferney returns to its natural and pristine state of 400 years ago.

The walk through the valley is accessible to people of all ages and will give you a real taste of nature in a unique site with gorgeous views on a mixed landscape. After the walk, a typical Creole lunch will be served in the hunting lodge. After lunch, you will proceed to the coastal village of Mahébourg with a stop on the historical waterfront and the market, before returning to your hotel.



Itinerary:

09h00 Leave the hotel and proceed to the village of Mahebourg

10h15 – 10h45 Biscuiterie Rault Factory

11h00 Arrive at the Pointe Jerome Jetty for a boat transfer to Ile aux Aigrettes

11h15 – 12h30 Visit of Ile aux Aigrettes

12h30 – 12h45 Boat transfer back to mainland

12h45 – 13h05 Drive to the Valley of Ferney

13h15 – 14h15 Lunch at the Fernley Lodge

14h30 – 16h00 Soft Hiking at La Valley de Ferney

16h00 Leave Ferney and drive back to the hotels

17h00/17h15 Back to the Hotels

Lunch Menu:

Starter: Mixed Salad with smoked Marlin

Main Course: Grilled Dorado Filet with its Creole sauce, served with crunchy vegetables

with turmeric and steamed rice

Dessert: Ice Cream

Services	Per person
Cost of Excursion (including transfers in air-conditioned deluxe coaches,	
entrance fees, lunch – without drinks and accompanied by a	MUR 3,200
professional English speaking guide for the tour)	

^{*}SummerTimes is supporting MWF on Ile aux Aigrettes by offering a donation for every participant joining this excursion. Help us, help them!

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Conditions:

All bookings should be made preferably before 1st June 2018 to ensure availability of seats and efficient planning.

Payment Terms:

All payments are required before the tour date.

Cancellation Policy:

As per registration page of the ICPAC-2018 website

No show: 100% cancellation fee will be applicable.