

Self Drive Package			
ROOM TYPE	DATES	Double room	Single room
Self Drive Package	01 May - 31 Jul 08	1,511	1,339
	01 Aug - 31 Aug 08	1,524	1,352
	01 Sep - 30 Sep 08	1,511	1,339
	01 Oct - 31 Oct 08	1,588	1,261

All above prices are per room and include the following

- 2 nights at Residence [Les Badamiers](#) on self catering
- 3 nights at [L'Archipel Bungalow](#) on BB (Bed & Breakfast)
- 2 nights at [Lakaz Chamarel](#) on HB (breakfast & dinner)
- 3 nights at [Blue Lagoon Beach Hotel](#) on B&B (Bed and Breakfast)
- 12 days car rental including delivery and pick up at the airport
- Package prices are based on 1 or 2 adults with supplement for 1 extra adult or 1 child.
- Upgrade of car type to family at additional Euro 16 per day.
- 4 adults; apply package times 2 with the choice of two small cars or upgrade to family car without additional charges.
- More than 4 adults or family (2 adults & 2 children), special quote is needed.

- NB:- Conditions and Policy

- Infant 0 - 2 years old is free of charge
- Max 1 Infant & 1 Child sharing

- [Residence Les Badamiers](#): price is per unit

- [L'Archipel Bungalow](#):- supplement for 3rd person

€29 for the period of **11 Apr to 31 Jul 08 & 01 Sep to 31 Oct 08**

€36 for the period of **01 to 31 Aug 08**

- [Lacaz Chamarel](#): supplement for extra bed (max 1 in a room)

Free on HB Child under 6 years

€34 Child as from 6 years old and upwards

- [Blue Lagoon](#):- Supplement for Extra bed

- **09 Jan to 30 Apr 08 & 01 to 31 Oct 08**

€30 Child from 3 - 11 years old on BB

€54 3rd Adult on BB

- **01 May to 30 Sep 08**

€25 Child from 3 - 11 years old on BB

€43 3rd Adult on BB

This itinerary is to be view as a suggestion of activities, sights and excursion in connection with this 10 nights 12 days self-drive holiday package of Mauritius.

The package prices quote above includes the accommodation and car rental. Any of the below mentioned activities or excursions ma be pre-booked at an extra fee. By pre-booking you firstly assure that your island activities/excursion is secured and secondly the price and service guarantee that Maurisun provides.

As a local tour operator; we can customise holiday package (accommodation and activities/excursions) to suite your interest and occasion when travelling to Mauritius thus the perfect vacation is secured.

Please do not hesitate to take contact to us for any questions or for a free quote.



ISLAND CHARMS - MAURITIUS 10 nights / 12 days self-drive trip



DAY 1 Airport / Residence Les Badamiers - self catering

Upon your arrival at Mauritius SSR Airport, a Maurisun representative will wait for you with road instructions and the keys to your rental car. You will also receive the Maurisun welcome folder.

The drive to Les Badamiers, where you will spend your first night on the island takes you down towards Mahebourg. There you will find ample opportunity to do your grocery shopping before crossing Mauritius' largest bridge to Ville Noire. After Riviere des Creoles, the road follows the coast, passing through picturesque villages like Grand Port or Bambous Virieux. Stay on the coastal road for about ten minutes after leaving Trou D'Eau Douce behind and you will spot Les Badamiers on your right. This charming apartment complex with swimming pool is located right on the road, close to the beach.

All in all, the drive from the airport takes about an hour; but it is wise to plan in some extra time to look around and enjoy the beautiful scenery.

Don't forget to put some sunscreen on, as the cool breeze prevailing in this part of the island tends to belittle the strong effects of the sun.

DAY 2 Residence Les Badamiers /La Domaine D'Anse Jonchee/ Residence Les Badamiers

On a hill above the village of Anse Jonchee and overlooking the bay of Vieux Grand Port lays the privately owned domain of Anse Jonchee. Its vast natural forest and lush plantations provide ample living grounds for Javanese stag, wild boar, monkeys and thousands of birds, among them the once nearly extinct Mauritian Kestrel. You best start your visit with a 4x4 drive up to the panorama restaurant, where you may enjoy lunch or refreshments before engaging in activities such as hiking, nature observation or visiting the distillery at Ylang Ylang and its lush and fragrant garden where ingredients for their essential oils are grown.

A stop and short walk to the waterfall at Grand Riviere Sud Est is a must!

DAY 3 Les Badamiers to L'Archipel Bungalow - Bed & Breakfast

Many travel guides mention that you can't leave Mauritius without having spent a day on Ile aux Cerfs and we quite agree. However, there are many ways of getting there.

Our suggestion is to book a full day trip on a pirate boat or catamaran, with drinks, grilled fish meat and Creole style live entertainment all included. If you wish to book in advance, we'll be happy to make arrangements for you.

After a good day at sea it is time to head on towards Calodyne, where your safe haven for the next few nights, L'Archipel bungalow is waiting for you. After leaving Belle Mare behind, you'll pass through an area well-known for the cultivation of onion, garlic and ginger. Villages with romantic names such as Quatre Coco and Poste de Flacq come up and a picturesque Hindu Temple beckons and invites for a visit. Back on the road, you pass by the small town of Riviere du Rempart, drive through Poudre d'Or and Goodlands, the busiest town in this area; especially on market days and on the weekend. Not far after Goodlands you will reach quiet Calodyne, where L'Archipel bungalow is located to offer rest and relaxation after the driving.

Options:

If you are wary of boats or don't feel like hanging out on the beach, try a day trip to the Water Park or visit Central Flacq village.

DAY 4 & 5 L'Archipel Bungalow and the North

The scenic view offered from L'Archipel Bungalow may invite you to take a catamaran trip to the outer islands with lunch on Flat Island. This is the ideal occasion for those who like the combination of sailing on the Ocean and a Robinson Crusoe-experience! Sea-sickness tablets are recommended to be taken at least an hour before departure on windy days.

Another one of our favourite day visits is a trip to famous Pamplemousses Gardens, which rank among the finest botanical gardens in the world. This can be combined with a sightseeing tour through Port Louis; or a visit of the Sugar museum, where the heritage of Mauritius is explained in vivid detail.

If you'd enjoy a cultural experience, visit Eureka House, the colonial villa restored to become a museum in 1986. Eureka house was built by one of Mauritius' grand families in the 1830s and offers terrific views. You can taste a very different style of lunch here, like in the olden days, and you'll be invited to watch some live cooking in the ancient kitchen. The guided tour also includes a visit of the house and its surrounding gardens as well as a walk down to the river. You are welcome to take a refreshing dip in some of the ponds and appreciate the waterfall.

More active options like sea kayaking at Ile d'Ambre or Mountain biking at La Nicoliere can be arranged through our office.



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DAY 6 L'Archipel Bungalow/ Quatre Bornes/Curepipe/Lakaz Chamarel - breakfast & dinner

As Mauritius is a shopping paradise, shopping centres can be found in nearly every city, offering exclusive clothing, exotic gifts and souvenirs, but also all you need for a sumptuous dinner or a delicious pick nick lunch.

First on your route through the central plateau is Quatre Bornes, which can be reached by a 20 min. drive up the highway from Port Louis. Those in for a bazaar experience and island fashion should plan to go there on Thursdays, whereas Sunday is the day to spot exotic fruit and vegetables at the usually crowded central market. It is quite an experience to sample the atmosphere and you may find real treasures for a good price.

After leaving Quatre Bornes, get back on the highway and turn towards Curepipe, which lays 15 min. further up the road, at an altitude of 549 meters. Because of the many factory outlets situated there, Curepipe is an excellent place for clothes-shopping. You can also find other interesting souvenirs such as handmade ship models, duty free jewellery, Indian silks and cottons, Chinese embroideries, and much more. Do not forget to visit the dormant volcano Trou aux Cerfs, and enjoy the spectacular view from its top.

Consider having lunch at Curepipe, as the restaurants are many and offer very good food; whereas only few places for meals can be found during the drive through the National Park, which is the next stretch of road ahead. To fully enjoy its wonderful nature, don't forget to stop at Alexandra Falls and Black River Gorges viewpoint.

The road finally descends to the small village of Chamarel, where you'll spend the night at lodge-style Lakaz Chamarel. Take a short stroll up the hill for some of the islands most spectacular sunsets before enjoying a lovely dinner.

DAY 7 Lakaz Chamarel /Casela Leisure Park/Lakaz Chamarel - breakfast & dinner

In order to get the best view of the west coast, we recommend an early start. Driving down to the small village of Case Noyale is quite an experience and you may spot monkeys sitting by the road and observing your driving skills. Turn right by the church onto the road for Flic-en-Flac. After passing the salt pans at Tamarin and crossing the river, Casela Leisure Park, a beautiful 25 acre nature park and bird sanctuary is waiting for you. The park is home to almost 1500 birds of 150 different species as well as countless other animals. A walk with the lions or the cheetahs followed by an interaction with those fascinating and powerful felines is a must.

The park offers many more activities and adventures and you are sure to spend an unforgettable day before returning to Lakaz Chamarel.

Options:

Visit Martello Tower and spend the day on the beach, go for a full day catamaran trip, book a dolphin watching excursion or a big game fishing trip, hike the Black River Gorges, and if you like adventures, try canyoneering at Tamarind Falls or mountain biking in the Macchabee Forest.

DAY 8 Lakaz Chamarel/Bay du Cap/Le Morne/Chamarel/Lakaz Chamarel - breakfast & dinner

Plan half a day for the scenic drive down to Baie du Cap and around Le Morne Mountain. Reading about the runaway slaves hiding in this area is a nice way of honouring the ancestors of today's Mauritians who built their success on the backs of those unfortunate ones. Continue driving down the coastal road until reaching Case Noyale, where you drive up the same road you came down on the day before. Enjoy a traditional Creole lunch at Le Barbizon Restaurant in Chamarel before visiting the Roots craft shop which lies hidden behind Ruben's restaurant on the road to the coloured earth. Look for authentic souvenirs and Rasta-Style jewellery made by local artists. Explore nature's surprising creations at the coloured earth park and catch a glimpse of Chamarel coffee plants when looking into the field to the left of the entrance. We suggest spending the rest of the afternoon relaxing at Lakaz Chamarel.

DAY 9 Lakaz Chamarel/ Crocodile Park /Blue Lagoon - Bed and Breakfast

In the morning, you take the road to Baie du Cap and turn east.

On the way to the southeast coast and Blue Lagoon Beach Hotel, you will find many an interesting thing to see! For once there is the village of Souillac, where barges once brought the sugar to be loaded onto the big sailing boats, before the introduction of the sugar cane train.

This harbour, the Telfair Garden and the museum of Sir Edward Heart in close by Gris Gris are a must to see. The coast of Gris Gris is definitely worth visiting. A rough climate prevails in this southernmost point of Mauritius and to experience the wild waves of the Indian Ocean crashing against the rugged cliffs is quite breathtaking.

Lunch at Crocodile Park, where Nile crocodiles imported from Madagascar are bred and exhibited, is another intense experience! Don't miss out on the great tortoises that wander happily around on a huge lawn and visibly enjoy life. Back on the road, you pass by a lovely landscape of rolling hills and green sugar cane fields, until reaching Plaine Magnien where you must turn towards Blue Bay at the roundabout.

A few more minutes driving and another right turn will finally take you to your last destination: Blue Lagoon Beach Hotel in Blue Bay, where the famous Marine Park with myriad of fish and colourful corals is waiting for you.



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DAY 10 and 11 Blue Lagoon- Bed and Breakfast

After all that driving, we suggest you enjoy your last day participating in our Rainbow Trip "Lagoon Harmony" on a boat, which takes you to explore the largest lagoon of Mauritius "Grand Port" with its pretty islets and interesting history.

You may prefer to take a trip into Mahebourg though, the ancient capital of Mauritius. The town has kept yesteryear charms and a friendly atmosphere. You're lucky to be there on a Monday, as one of the best bazaars of the island is taking place on this day.

Founded in 1805 this old town harbours many treasures such as the National History Museum (former Navy Museum) or the newly constructed waterfront with red flag islet.

Other options:

Visit of the manioc biscuit factory at Ville Noire (Black Town) home of slaves under French rule and The Dutch museum at Grand Port.

DAY 12 Blue Lagoon/Airport

Depending on your flight time, you may be in for an early breakfast before dropping off the car at the airport and check-in.

Maurisun wishes you a safe journey home and we sure hope to see you again on our beautiful island.