

Mauritius to open for international travel in July

Mauritius will start opening for international tourists in two phases in 2021. The first phase, from 15 July to 30 September 2021, will enable vaccinated travellers to enjoy a resort holiday on the island.



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Travellers aged 18 years or over must be fully vaccinated against Covid-19. They must undergo a PCR test between five and seven days before departure and a negative result is required to travel to the island. Travellers will also have a PCR test on arrival at the airport in Mauritius and on days seven and 14 of their resort holiday, as applicable.

For Phase 2, from 1 October 2021, vaccinated travellers will be allowed entry into the country without restrictions upon presentation of a negative PCR test taken within 72 hours before departure.

Unvaccinated travellers will be subject to the 14 day in-room quarantine for both Phases 1 and 2 until further notice.

Holidaymakers will be able to enjoy facilities within their chosen resort premises, including the swimming pool and beach. If guests stay for more than 14 days and have negative PCR tests during their stay in the resort, they will be able to explore the island's attractions thereafter. However, for shorter stays, they may leave the resort earlier to travel back home.

A list of pre-approved Covid-19 safe resorts will be available from 20 June 2021 at www.mauritiusnow.com.

The announcement follows the acceleration of the vaccination campaign and the progress made towards herd immunity by the end of September. Frontliners within the tourism industry were prioritised during the vaccine rollout. This has enabled a prompt and safe restart of the Mauritius tourism industry.

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