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# Ambre... island living at its tropical best

Ambre hotel is located at Palmar, on the east coast of Mauritius. The resort is one hour away from the airport; one hour from Port Louis, the capital city and 20 minutes from Ile aux Cerfs. The resort boasts a 700m white natural sandy beach running along a sheltered bay. The adjacent tropical lagoon is a haven for fish and marine life, with many bathing and diving areas.



Ambre is a four-star resort set in a tropical, easy-going environment, where island living can be experienced at its best.

## Accommodation

The 297 rooms of the resort are gently sheltered by a garden of exotic tropical plants. All rooms offer a stunning ambiance where white elegant tranquil shades are slightly enhanced by both natural and sparkling tones. This is a totally new fresh tropical feel with furniture, fabrics and material fitting these tones to give a modern and peaceful

feel to each room.

All rooms come with 42" flat-screen TVs with satellite programmes (sports and entertainment, international news and kids' channels, in English, French, German and Italian); international direct-dial telephones; WiFi access, digital clocks, radios, electronic room safes, hairdryers, individually controlled air-conditioning and electrical shaver points (110/220 volts).

All rooms have mini-bars and tea & coffee making facilities.

#### **Hotel Highlights**

- 100 Standard rooms
- 178 Superior rooms
- 17 Family units
- 2 Suites
- 735m<sup>2</sup> pool
- 3 restaurants (including one on the beach)
- 2 bars
- 4 Spa treatment rooms, a hammam, a sauna, a jacuzzi and a beauty parlour
- A well-equipped fitness centre
- 2 floodlit tennis courts
- Access to Le Touessrok Golf Course including the Golf Academy
- 1 function room, which becomes a nightclub
- Souvenir shop
- Sun Kids Club for 4-11-year-olds
- Sun Generation Club for 12 17 year olds

#### Ambre Hotel & Spa 4-star

Validity 1 Oct- 6 Dec 12

Standard Room Pay 5 stay 7 - from R9795



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All inclusive \*

Validity 1 Oct- 6 Dec 12

Standard Room Pay 5 stay 7 - from R12 340

Ambre Hotel & Spa 4-star

Validity 8 Dec - 23 Dec 12

Standard Room Pay 5 stay 7 - from R11 500

Ambre Hotel & Spa 4-star All inclusive \*

Validity 8 Dec - 23 Dec 12

Standard Room Pay 5 stay 7 - from R14 040

\**All inclusive*: Included in the all-inclusive package is breakfast, lunch and dinner. Beverages include locally bottled alcoholic beverages, rum punch, domestic beer, soft drinks, canned juices and local mineral water, during opening hours of all bars as well as tea and coffee in your room. All items included in the All-inclusive package will be marked with a green star on all menus.

In order to qualify for the rates advertised, travel will need to be completed within the specified validity dates.

#### Package includes:

- Return flights ex Johannesburg on Air Mauritius.
- Return coach island transfers.
- Breakfast and dinner daily.
- All land and non-motorised water sports.
- Evening Entertainment.
- Package excludes:
- Approximate airport taxes of R2900 per adult.
- Any items of a personal nature.

Airfares and taxes are subject to change within specified seasons and are carrier specific, which could impact on the rate quoted. Terms and Conditions apply. Prices were correct at time of going to print.

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## Alessandro Schenone appointed general manager of Ambre hotel



"Alessandro is a very experienced hotelier. After his career in Italy and in Mauritius, we were very happy to recruit him in 2008 as general manager of Kanuhura where he contributed in establishing this hotel, a member of the prestigious 'The Leading Hotels of The World' network, as one of the best in the Maldives," says Fabio Piccirillo, CEO of Sun Resorts. Schenone took up his position on 1 June 2012.

During his tenure as general manager of Kanuhura, Alessandro Schenone, together with his team, enabled Kanuhura to win the 'Food Safety Asia Award' in August 2009, with the highest audit scores out of 22 resorts in the Maldives. Kanuhura was nominated in the 2009 'Conde Nast *Traveler Magazine*'s Gold List' as the best hotel for facilities and also awarded 4th Best Resort in Middle East, Africa and Indian Ocean by Conde Nast *Traveler* in September 2008.

"Alessandro has managed both prestigious five star properties and four star resorts for the past 15 years. Irrespective of the rating of these properties, he has always placed a lot of emphasis on quality, service, excellence and team spirit. These values will definitely help Sun Resorts establishing Ambre hotel as one of the best hotels within its category very quickly," adds Piccirillo.

## Happy to be back

"I am happy to be back in Mauritius with Sun Resorts, an experienced hotel group with a strong and qualified team. Ambre hotel, which I know very well, is a good property, located on a prime site. With the operational expertise of Sun Resorts and our network of trade partners throughout the world, I am confident that Ambre will be a successful hotel. Throughout my career, I have always tried to focus on maintaining high standards of customer service and satisfaction. I will maintain this at Ambre," says Schenone.

Italian-born Schenone has had a very successful career with Veraclub before he came to Mauritius. He managed four 4star resorts in the world before being appointed development & operations manager of Veratour Resorts in 2002. He was then overseeing the development and operations of 18 hotels worldwide. He then moved to Venice as hotel manager of the Hotel Plaza.

In November 2005, Schenone joined Appavou Group as a general manager of both Ambre Resort & Spa and Bougainville Hotel on the east coast of Mauritius. He was very much involved within the group and even received an award from the Mauritian government for his actions in the field of environment and the promotion of sport.

He was managing director of STB in Italy before returning to Mauritius and was involved in operations of three 5-star properties, namely the Fonteverde Tuscan Resort & Spa; Bagna DI pisa Palace & Spa and Grotta Giusti Resort Golf & Spa.

He is a graduate in economics from Genoa Institute in Italy and is married to Mauritian-born Malika.

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