

## Mauritius reopens borders to travellers from South Africa and neighbouring countries

After nearly a month and a half long closure, the Mauritian Government has announced in a communique released on Thursday 6 January 2022 that the travel ban for visitors coming from the Republic of South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique and Zambia has been lifted. We recall the implementation of this travel restriction<sup>1</sup> on 29 November 2021, further to the detection of the Omicron variant – then named B.1.1.529 – in the above-mentioned countries.

The reopening is effective as from today, **Friday 7 January 2022**. As such, commercial passenger flights from South Africa and the neighbouring countries to Mauritius can resume.

With the health and safety of incoming travellers and the local population remaining a priority, concerned authorities are maintaining stringent Covid-19 travel protocols. Together with the ongoing roll out of booster doses for double vaccinated locals, we are confident that Mauritius remains a tourism destination that exudes secure travelling and high hospitality standards vis-à-vis international counterparts.

For more information on the latest entry requirements, access the <u>Mauritius Now</u> website. Should you still have any questions, please send us an e-mail at <u>info@intercontinentaltrust.com</u>

Read the full communique here

<sup>1</sup> Access our past release, 'Mauritius closes borders to travellers from South Africa and neighbouring countries' here

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