

CONSTANCE HOTELS & RESORTS OUTLINES THE CONTOURS OF CONTEMPORARY HOSPITALITY BY FOCUSING ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY TO DELIVER THE PERFECT COMBINATION OF LUXURY AND ECOLOGY

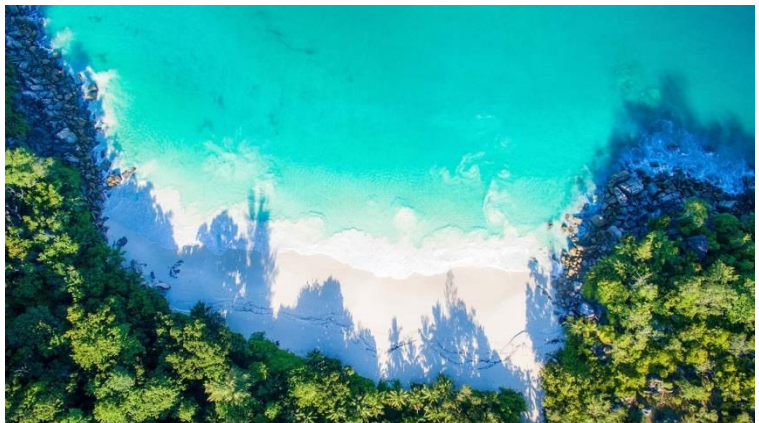
The Constance Hotels & Resorts group is embracing its responsibilities and leading the way with innovation in sustainable tourism.

ECO-HOSPITALITY REALLY IS POSSIBLE.

As well as offering its guests unique destinations and experiences, Constance Hotels and Resorts are committed to conserving their surrounding natural environment. Sustainable tourism is a commitment for the hotel group which has, for several years now, been engaged in a series of practical initiatives, including a considerable reduction in its consumption of plastic (e.g. banning plastic drinking straws), a mangrove reforestation programme, an in-house recycling system that desalinates seawater and filters it for re-use for use in toilet flushing, kitchens, etc.

Constance hotels favour short produce sourcing circuits, and are increasingly developing their own vegetable gardens. These include seasonal herb gardens whose produce is used by hotel chefs to enhance the seasonal produce served in hotel restaurants.

Guests are now more engaged in these issues and are increasingly becoming partners in Constance Hotels & Resorts green programmes.



THE HOTEL GROUP PUTS NATURE AT THE HEART OF THE TRAVELLER EXPERIENCE.

Sustainable hospitality for a successful customer experience!

As part of sparking interest in green issues and empowering its guests, Constance Hotels and Resorts has drawn together a network of naturalists and biologists who work to protect the ocean floor and

endangered endemic species (such as giant turtles and sea turtles), as well as raising guest awareness and providing them with educational information about local plants and wildlife.

Without compromising its paradise destination image or high-quality hospitality focused on guest wellbeing, Constance hotels believe in local initiatives on the human scale.

Environmental commitment is central to the TRUE BY NATURE concept, a perfect alliance of premium service and respect for biodiversity.

A QUICK TOUR OF CONSTANCE HOTELS

Go Robinson Crusoe in the Mitsio islands, Madagascar's best-kept secret



Off the north-west coast of Madagascar, the tiny island of Tsarabanjina has everything it takes to be ranked among the very best eco-resorts. Constance Tsarabanjina is a unique destination dedicated to conserving the natural world as it was on the world's first morning.

The very definition of discretion, it consciously defers to its lush environment, at the same time as insisting on responsible tourism with low water consumption; from their timber frames to their thatched roofs, all its villas have been constructed using local raw materials. You won't find a swimming pool here, but you can learn to dive surrounded by unspoilt coral reefs, luxuriate in a massage on the rocks or set to sea with local fishermen.

Constance Tsarabanjina is also committed to involving local people in the life of the hotel: Biologist Elena works to protect the seabed, advises local fishermen and plays a proactive role in improving the daily lives of neighbouring village communities.

The protected natural beauty of the Seychelles

At the Constance Lemuria Seychelles, the group has initiated the Turtle Management Program to protect the local turtle population. The programme focuses primarily on the beaches around the hotel on the island of Praslin.

Two experts - Dr. Jeanne Mortimer (Seychelles-based scientist and marine turtle conservation expert) and Robert Matombé (the Turtle Manager) - are there to ensure the health and wellbeing of adult turtles, hatchlings and eggs.

Light pollution is limited to the absolute minimum, nests guarded against poachers, and young turtles protected from predators. As a result, the Constance Lemuria beaches have more turtle nests on the island.



At the Constance Ephelia Seychelles, the group uses eco-friendly, energy-efficient products wherever possible. Eco-design and the use of eco-labelled products are also encouraged and facilitated. Bulk buying of supplies is also prioritised to reduce packaging waste. Local food, entertainment and culture are valued and promoted right across Constance Hotel & Resorts group to offer guests locally produced and environmentally friendly souvenirs of their stay.

Set on a crystal-clear lagoon in the Maldives

The two Maldivian hideaways in the north and south of Ari Atoll are no exception to this group-wide commitment, and are involved in environmental conservation on several levels. Their restaurants embrace sustainable principles and techniques, using organic produce from their own gardens wherever possible. A great deal of work is also being done to minimise waste and maximise efficient energy management. Constance Hotels and Resorts also maintains a very high level of social commitment, and involves local people as closely as possible in hotel operations.

The rich biodiversity of Mauritius

With its rich tropical biodiversity, extensive forest of native mangroves (*Rhizophora Mucronata*) and Barachois protected fish sanctuary, the Constance Prince Maurice Hotel is surrounded by a diversity of wildlife and plant species found nowhere else on the island of Mauritius. To encourage residents to explore this lush natural environment, the hotel has designed and produced the *Constance Prince*

Maurice Coastal Directory in collaboration with the NGO Reef Conservation. Available free of charge to guests, this concise guide explains all about the wildlife and plants to be seen around the Constance Prince Maurice.

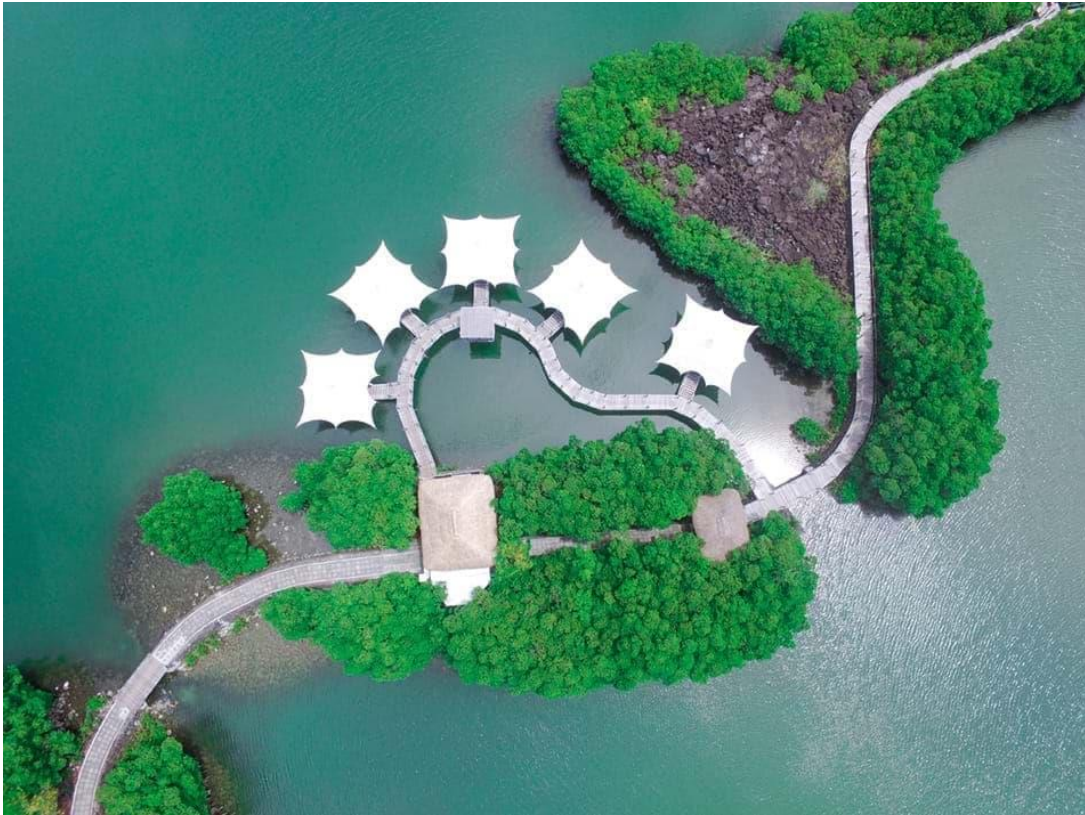


"Our environmental commitment dates back to 2013 when we adopted our strategy as part of the Green Globe certification initiative. Since then, we've put in place several measures to protect our natural environment, and together they have delivered a remarkable 14% reduction in energy consumption. We're now engaged in an eco-friendly project to reduce our carbon footprint", says Christophe Plantier, General Manager of the Constance Prince Mauritius.

Six Constance hotels have recently been Green Globe re-certified for the 6th year in a row (in Mauritius: Constance Belle Mare and Constance Prince Maurice, in the Seychelles: Constance Ephelia and Constance Lemuria, in the Maldives: Constance Halaveli and Constance Moofushi).

Green Globe is the world's leading certification and improvement program designed more than 20 years ago especially by and for the travel and tourism industry. This programme helps businesses to improve their economic, social and environmental sustainability while being rewarded and recognised for it.

"We are taking every possible step to preserve the environment in all the destinations we operate. We are aware of environmental issues and we recognise our responsibility to the environment. While the well-being of our guests is our priority, all Constance hotels & resorts are committed to meet and exceed environmental legislation, standards and best practices applicable", said Jean-Jacques Vallet - CEO of the hotel group.



Constance Hotels, Resorts and Golf, an Indian Ocean expert

Constance Hotels, Resorts and Golf is a Mauritian hospitality group with seven eco-chic resorts across Mauritius, Seychelles, Maldives and Madagascar, and three championship golf courses (one in Seychelles and two in Mauritius). With Mauritian roots, warmth and smiles are in the company's DNA. A sense of place and nature is the inspiration behind selecting properties that preserve their environment's natural beauty. High flying gastronomy and fine wine is integral to the group's proposition, with 67 sommeliers working across seven properties. Guests' wellbeing is the focus with a Constance Spa in each resort combining treatments, fitness and nutrition. Constance Hotels and Resorts is an Indian Ocean expert offering guests unique experiences in each location.

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