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Positioned almost 400 miles north-east of Mauritius, Rodrigues emerges from the Indian Ocean from within a vast, emerald-blue lagoon. This tiny, undiscovered island, just 11 miles by 5 miles, has an unspoilt charm and beauty rarely seen. Dramatic rock strewn mountains and a Caribbean style atmosphere make it totally different from the sophistication of Mauritius. The island is ringed by the coral lagoon that influences the whole nature of Rodrigues and its truly Creole inhabitants. From the moment you arrive you understand why this place is so special; the warmth and freshness of the trade winds, the friendliness of the people and the simplicity in the way they live. It feels as though time and the modern world have passed this secret hideaway by.

Fact File

Best Time: All year.

Launch: Large sandy beach.

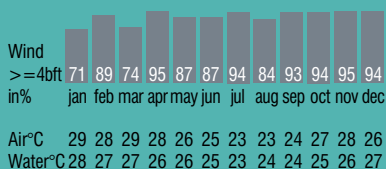
Wind Direction: Cross-shore from the left.

Wind Type: Consistent Trade. Lower strength November to March.

Shorebreak: Minimal shorebreak.

Water Conditions: Flatwater lagoon. Reef break with waves during season.

Suitability: All levels.



OSMOSIS WATERSPORTS

Right on the beach in front of the hotel. Excellent shallow flatwater inside the reef. Surf safaris organized to wave spot Jimmy's Pass & around lagoon. Kit Range: Approx 30 Mistral /Starboard boards and rigs plus Tushingham/North sails 4.0-8.4m².

Board Hire 1 wk £182 2 wks £300

Kite Riding Area: Sandy beach, Massive flatwater lagoon inside of reefs. Incredible downwind areas. Rental: North Kiteboarding

Instruction: All levels. IKO Courses.

Combi packages: Kite tuition/3 downwind / windsurf rental.

Other Sports: Diving, Snorkelling, Surfing, Mountain biking.

Excursions: Explore the island in a hire car. Island excursions & Beach BBQ on L'Île aux Chat. Nature trips & activities.



Sailing Spot & Conditions

Tucked away at the end of the south-east coast road, is the tiny village of Mourouk which borders the edge of the lagoon. Pure white sand stretches alongside the warm, crystal clear water. This really is a watersports paradise, with constant cross-shore winds, flat warm water, dive spots that have never been seen and water playground that goes on forever. The huge lagoon, mostly waist deep, offers space for training, freestyle & speed sailing. The quality of the conditions is what makes this place special. The easterly trade winds start around 3-4 beaufort in the morning building to force 5-6/7 in the afternoon during the peak months. With near world record speeds recorded here, this really is somewhere very special.



Mourouk Ebony Hotel



Location: Perched on a rolling hillside that drops down to a white sandy beach and turquoise lagoon. The hotel is situated on the south-east coast, about half an hour's scenic drive partly by unmade road from the airport.

Accommodation: A family run hotel with 36 comfortable air-conditioned rooms set in ten single story bungalows. Simply furnished with twin or double beds, fan, mini bar, en-suite bathroom with shower & WC and terrace with deckchair and magnificent views out over the sea. Villa Oceane rooms are more spacious and closer to the beach with use of a communal plunge pool on the terrace. The central apartment is duplex style with en-suite bedrooms and downstairs living room with a small kitchen. All rooms are set into the gentle hill side to afford glorious views over the lagoon and its islets.

Facilities: Swimming pool with sunbathing area, main restaurant and bar with an impressive terrace overlooking the pool and sea beyond. The main building houses the bar, lounge area & restaurant. Meals and drinks can be taken on the terrace. A la carte regional specialities are available. An additional beach bar & small restaurant serves lunch and snacks during the day. Regular evening entertainment including local musicians & 'Seba Tambour' traditional dancing. Mini club with games. Personal, professional on-site diving centre with over 30 dive sites close by. Dive packages & instruction courses.

Windsurfing/Kitesurfing: Osmosis Windsurf & Kitesurf centre on the beach in front of the hotel.



Prices (7 nights) from:	Low	High
Mourouk Ebony Hotel	£1149	£1499

Price includes return flights, accommodation & transfers.