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Cultural heritage and impromptu walks

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IN THE WEST
Seaside resort and outdoor activities

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IN THE EAST
The ‘lava road’ and white water sports

After visiting the volcano, you will be impressed by the ‘Lava Road’, where former lava flows can be seen, some clearly visible and others already covered with thick vegetation. Make sure you stop off at the Notre-Dame-des-Laves church in Sainte-Rose, and why not have a picnic at the Belvédère des Cascades? The river near Saint-Benoit is popular with those keen on white water sports such as rafting, canoeing and river-bounding. Have a break in Saint-Benoit, visit the Plantation Maloës during mango or lychee season or the Biscarrosse Vanilla Cooperative. In Saint-André you can admire the impressive Tamarind temple. Take a visit back in time at the Bima-Rouge Sugar Factory and then head off for a picnic at the Niagara Waterfall. Smell the sweet aroma of vanilla at the Domaine du Grand Hauter vanilla plantation in Sainte-Suzanne.

IN THE SOUTH
Wild scenery and lively nights out

The buzzing town centre of Saint-Denis is enthroned, with its manifold, numerous sites, waterfalls, swimming, the Sages du Rhum Museum and beach parties all night. In Saint-Leu, the Old Sugar Factory is really worth a visit. There are some great mountain-biking opportunities in offer in the Étang-Sale forest. The village of Étang-Beau is a starting point for Nick the Dimples and you’ll find the colourful Creole houses charming. In the shade of ancient chestnut trees, on Cap Mérite, take the time to admire the staring centenary of the rugged hill and the dense woods. At the Maison Lauren in Saint-Joseph you can taste the famous local coffee. Bourbon Plantation, and why not visit the sugar cane plantation called Far De Baris. Don’t miss the Maison des Ateliers (Street Center in Petite-Ile, the Musée du Curcuma (Saffron Museum) in La Plaine des Orangers or the valley of the Langevin Waterfall. Finally, you’ll find the Spice and Perfume Garden in Saint-Philippe delightful.

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