

# BELIZE RIVER LODGE

A Flats Fishing & Eco-Adventure Tour Destination

*Historically the First Fishing Lodge in Belize and Still the Best of Belize! - **Before you go***

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## INTRODUCTION

Belize River Lodge is situated on the lush, green banks of the Belize Olde River, conveniently located about ten minutes from the Phillip S.W. Goldson International Airport (airport code: BZE) & 3.5 miles from the mouth of the river - the entrance to the Caribbean Sea. The Lodge has been in continuous operation since 1961, and has been known as Barothy's Caribbean Lodge Ltd., Keller Caribbean Sports Ltd. (KCS), and since January of 1987, Belize River Lodge. The Lodge is operated by Mike Heusner and Marguerite Miles and their on-site management makes BRL one of the most personalized lodges in the Caribbean.

Sight fishing the Flats is our specialty, with variety our main attraction. BONEFISH, TARPON, PERMIT, and SNOOK are the main species caught by fly fishing or spin casting enthusiasts.

The Lodge is also a naturalists' paradise with an abundant variety of tropical birds; iguanas & lizards in the trees and crocodiles in the river. Eco tours to the Maya Temples, Barrier Reef and the mangrove cathedrals are all very easily accessible from the Lodge.

Belize River Lodge operates two systems; fishing &/or touring from the main Lodge, and fishing, touring and R&R'ing at the Long Caye Outpost Lodge. In addition to fishing, we also offer custom eco-tour package. Combination packages are available. As BRL is conveniently located, your trip can be planned around your schedule, no preset arrival and departure times and dates or package day restrictions.

## FISHING FROM THE LODGE

Guests stay in the comfortable hardwood Mahogany Lodge, which is located in a setting of tropical greenery and colorful flowers on the bank of the Belize Olde River. Fishing is from a 23' panga, the only skiff that can truly handle the waters of Belize. There are usually two anglers to a skiff, with an English speaking, experienced, professional, licensed guide. The FLATS, cayes, reef, mangrove channels, Belize River, Sibun River, Manatee River, Black Creek, and several other creeks and lagoons in between are the areas fished from the Lodge in a normal six day fishing package. This is a very large area with a great variety of fishing conditions, fish species and scenery, with the closest Flat only about 20 minutes away.

Game fish species generally found in this area include PERMIT, BONEFISH, TARPON, SNOOK, Snappers, Jacks, Barracuda, Grouper, and others. Visual Grand Slams and visual Back Country Grand Slams occur every day. Landed Slams will depend upon your skill, the fish and luck. Many species of birds and other wildlife such as manatees, howler monkeys, iguanas, turtles, and crocodiles may be seen while fishing from the Lodge. Comfortable skiffs (outfitted with guest leaning/casting post, chairs and a guide platform), modern outboard engines, and English speaking, professional licensed guides help make this a memorable fishing vacation.

I recall my first visit to BRL in early 1962. The lodge and the fishing experiences were terrific and not too different from today except the country British Honduras is now independent and the new Belize has become widely known and a very popular destination. Little did I realize in 1962 that I would return to BRL over 30 times including this year with my two sons and stepson (who wants to move to Belize!). And the Lord willing, my wife and I will return next year."

C. Eberle  
Powhatan, VA

At the Lodge, we are very well known for our Belizean hospitality and our delicious Belizean Creole cuisine; diets are usually set aside for your visit. Please let us know of any dietary needs, we will be happy to accommodate you.

## **BRL's LONG CAYE OUTPOST LODGE - *Your own private island get-away!***

If you like fishing “Long Caye” by Caye Chapel in Central Belize, then Belize River Lodge has the perfect get-away. The BRL Outpost Lodge at Long Caye sits on the front of the island overlooking Belize’s Barrier Reef and offers spectacular views of the sparkling blue-green waters of the Caribbean Sea. BRL’s Long Caye Outpost Lodge is less than a 10 minute boat ride from St. George’s Caye and Belize’s Miami Beach and about 20 minutes from Caye Caulker.

As with fishing from the main Lodge, BRL’s guides fish long hours AND as the Outpost Lodge sits in some of Belize’s best fishing waters, you have a choice of your fishing day, fish early and/or fish late. You can start off early, come back to the Island for lunch or “slack tides”, take a “siesta”, then fish late into the evening and come back to the island at the end of your fishing day. Or, you can leave after breakfast, take a packed lunch, and fish all day, then come back to the island in the late afternoon. Either choice ends after a long day of fishing, and with you watching the stunning beauty of a sunset, the oranges and reds overlapping the blue tones of the Caribbean Sea, while telling the tales of your day and enjoying appetizers in an extremely beautiful setting.

If you have a non-fishing spouse, or someone who likes to fish only a ½ day, then BRL’s Outpost Lodge is a great choice as it is on the beach, so if your “other half” likes to relax or snorkel while you fish, this is all an option. For the eco-adventure guest, any of our water tours are offered while staying on the island – Snorkeling, Manatee watching, Miami Beach and St George’s Caye, all are within easy boat distance of Belize River Lodge’s Long Caye Outpost Lodge. This is also a good time to look for shore and water birds.

The BRL Outpost Lodge’s guest house has three double occupancy bedrooms, two twin beds in each room; and a shared bath (hot & cold fresh water) for all, thereby catering to groups of up to 6 people. The main building has a full verandah overlooking the beach and sea. The rooms have ceiling fans and power is from a Generac generator, with a 6500 kw back up generator, which will run while you are visiting the breathtakingly beautiful island retreat.

Our group “had an awesome time with good fishing, excellent staff, delicious food and beautiful white sand and coconut trees at Long Caye Outpost”

~ Mark

Whether you are a group of 4, 6 or 2 people, once you book the island, it will be only you and your crew at Long Caye – a true get-away-from-it-all vacation.

## **Fishing & Touring from Long Caye**

While many guests visiting Long Caye focus on fishing, there have been non-angling guests who have just enjoyed relaxing. There have been guests who tour the area and families who have enjoyed the time together playing volleyball, croquet and exploring the area with their guide. Below are activities that can be enjoyed at Long Caye.

**SNORKEL THE BARRIER REEF:** Snorkel the day away watching exotic tropical fish and observing the many different types of colorful coral. Spend a relaxing day snorkeling; enjoy the underwater wonders of the Belize Barrier Reef. Return to Long Caye and sunbath in the privacy of your island retreat.

**FLATS FISHING:** Belize River Lodge specializes in sight fishing the many saltwater FLATS. We cater to both fly and spin fishing enthusiasts. Fishing is from comfortable panga style skiffs, usually two anglers to a skiff, with an English speaking, experienced licensed guide. Our diverse fishing areas include the Flats, Cayes, Barrier Reef, mangroves, channels & the creeks in between. Fishing is for a variety of game fish species. On most fishing days, you will have a good opportunity to fish for Bonefish, Snook, Tarpon and Barracuda. If the weather is right, Permit is another great option to fish for. Other possibilities to fish for are Cubera Snapper, Jacks, Grouper & others.

### ***Fishing & Touring from Long Caye continued***

**GENERAL FISHING:** If you fished as a child or have never fished, you can catch fish in Belize, by either spin fishing or “drop fishing”. With a line, sinker and bait, or with a spinning rod and small lure, you can fish the reef, channels and mangroves for barracuda, snappers and other many other species. If you enjoy eating fresh fish, then bring in one for your cook to prepare for your lunch or dinner.

**MANATEE WATCH & MIAMI BEACH:** Search for manatees in areas that they frequently visit and old sailors used to see these mammals and imagined mermaids. You will also pass by St. George's Caye, the unofficial capital of British Honduras and most historic island in Belize. St. George's was settled by the British in the 1600's and was the capital of British Honduras. It is where the Spanish made their final effort of conquer Belize in 1708. Between St. George's Caye and Long Caye, find Miami Beach, which isn't a beach at all, but a shallow white sand bottom in crystal clear water, frequented by a variety of saltwater fish and a wonderful spot to swim and cool off.

**CAYE CAULKER:** Only 8 miles from the Outpost, your guide can boat you up to the village of Caye Caulker where you can walk around, and see a good combination of “old and new” - the old fishing village along with the modernization of hotels and gift shops. If you enjoy birding, over 100 species found on the island, such as the rufous-necked wood-rail and black catbird.

**SCUBA DIVING:** We will rendezvous with a licensed and professional dive shop, who will take you to explore the reef from the bottom up. Dive amid the coral of the Barrier Reef, swimming with the tropical fishes. Certified divers only (card required) and need to have a dive logged in the last two years.

**BIRDING:** Take a walk around the island Outpost and there are a number of birds and shore birds easily seen. If you are a birder, this a good time to go out with your guide and also scope the area for other birds who nest in neighboring islands.

**KAYAKING:** On request, kayaks will be at Long Caye – two maximum plus guide. Starting from the beach in front of the Outpost, paddle to the swimming flat out front or kayak around the island. It is relaxing way to enjoy a few hours. PFDs are required at all times, no exceptions.

**GAMES:** Available on request: Volleyball net and ball, badminton, croquet, Trivial Pursuit, Checkers, Backgammon, cards. If you are a family or friends who want to enjoy a few games, just let us know when confirming your trip and we will make sure the games are on the island.

### **BRL VS LONG CAYE FISHING**

There are not many differences when fishing from Long Caye or out of the Lodge. Both areas are home to a variety of species – Bonefish, Tarpon, Permit, Snook and others. The biggest difference is location. The main Lodge is a jungle Lodge on the Belize Olde River. We are only three miles up the river, so the river mouth is about 10 minutes by boat and the nearest flat for bonefish is about 20 minutes from the Lodge. From the main Lodge, we fish about 16 miles from the Lodge, which incorporates a large area including Long Caye. From the Lodge, if the winds pick up, we can fish the Belize River, Sibun River and Manatee River and all inland lagoons and creeks for Tarpon and Snook. Fishing from the Lodge, with the flats, Barrier Reef, channels and saltwater lagoons and the river and surrounding areas gives us wide range of fishing locations for a multitude of species, with the primary focus Tarpon, Permit, Bonefish and Snook.

BRL's Long Caye Outpost Lodge is about 14 miles from the main Lodge. On calm days, the nearest Bonefish flat is right in front of the guest house. Tarpon, Snook, Permit and Bonefish are found all around Long Caye and the surrounding cayes and flats. The Long Caye channel, directly behind the Outpost is known for large Tarpon fishing. When fishing from Long Caye, you lose the river fishing, however, when it is windy, the guides fish the “back” side of the island and the inner cayes lagoons.

## ***BRL VS LONG CAYE FISHING continued***

No matter which you choose, the main Lodge or Long Caye, you will have ample opportunity to fish for Tarpon, Bonefish, Permit, Snook and a variety of other species. Many guests have decided to enjoy a combination of both locations – with a 7 Night/6 Day Package, fishing 3 days from the main Lodge and 3 days from Long Caye – the best of both worlds!

## **MAP OF BELIZE**

Map of Belize gives a general idea of Belize River Lodge's and BRL's Long Caye Outpost location in Central Belize.



## WHEN TO FISH? *There is no bad time to fish.*

Central Belize, where Belize River Lodge is located, has a very healthy fishery for Bonefish, Tarpon, Permit and Snook. Due to the extensive fishing grounds in Central Belize, BRL is a year round fishery. Weather determines where we fish, whether flats, channels, rivers, etc, but you have the opportunity to fish for Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon and Snook year round, along with more species variety, such as jacks, snappers, ladyfish, tripletail, 'cuda's etc. We look at fishing as good, better and best time frames as there is no bad time to fish.

The biggest factor to affect our fishing (as with anywhere) is weather. On any day of the year in the tropics, Belize can have rain or wind or can be sunny, calm and great fishing weather. Ideally, everyone wants to sight cast the Flats, and so do BRL guides; however, if it is rainy and overcast or windy, then the visibility on the flats can be low, and the guides will try a few different options to get you into fish.

- Find the flats on the leeward side of islands
- Blindcast to spots they know
- Fish the three different river systems for tarpon and snook
- Fish deeper channels
- Most other methods to try and fish in inclement weather

Every day is different and the guides choose how and where to fish depending on what you would like to catch and what the weather and tides are doing.

***Belize River Lodge is a year round fishery and each species is fished for, landed and released – year round.*** Below are generalities that are found at Belize River Lodge. The sizes listed are most common; however, smaller and bigger fish can always be seen and sometimes caught. The months listed are the prime months the particular species is most commonly seen or fished for, yet found year round. Please remember that as we fish all year, guide habits are to fish the Flats when the weather allows and the rivers during winds . . . ***the best time for a fishing trip to BRL is when you have time to go fishing!***

1 = Good      2 = Better      3 = Best

Species	Size (lbs)	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC
Bonefish	3 to 5	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	3
Tarpon (sm)	6 to 25	2	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
Tarpon (med)	25 to 60	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	2
Tarpon (resident -lg)	80 to 100+	1	1	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	1	1
Tarpon (migrating -lg)	80 to 150+	-	1	3	3	3	3	2	1	-	-	-	-
Permit	6 to 25	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	2	2	2	1
Snook	8 to 15	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	2	3	3
Barracuda	12 to 40	2	1	3	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	2	2
Jacks	15 to 40	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	2	2	2

Below are frequently asked questions . . .

### *1. Who gets to fish when etc?*

There are usually two anglers to a boat and people rotate fishing. Fishing from the skiff is one person at a time, rotation can be by caught fish, casts to fish or time. Typically if you are fishing for bonefish, permit, tarpon, snook, one person gets to fish to the group until he either catches one or spooks them and then the next person gets the next group. The guides try to make sure that both people in their skiff fish equal time throughout the day. Wading from the Lodge is minimal due to marl flats; however, if you are on a wadable bonefish or permit flat, people can get out and fish.

## ***WHEN TO FISH? There is no bad time to fish continued***

### ***2. Where do we fish?***

Central Belize saltwater fly fishing and spin fishing is mainly on the Flats about 16 miles around Belize City. 90% of the time, anglers are sight-casting the Flats and channels for Tarpon, Bonefish, Snook and Permit. Fishing from the Lodge also offers the option of fishing the rivers and inland lagoons, mainly for Tarpon and Snook with option of other local river fish, such as Tuba and Bay-snook.

Fishing from the Long Caye Outpost Lodge will allow you to fish many of the same areas fished from BRL's main lodge. However, you will be closer to many of the Flats around Long Caye, enabling you to fish earlier and later. You and your crew (guides and cook) decide your fishing day. BRL guides fish long hours, about 8 to 10 hours a day. If you leave after breakfast, fishing is the entire day, returning about 5:30 pm'ish. If you would like to fish early, before breakfast, and later into the evening, please plan for a rest break during the day.

## **Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon & Snook – Info**

**Bonefish** (*Albula vulpes*): Average in Central Belize is 3 lbs. Can land as small as 8" and as big as 7 lbs. Bonefish live in inshore tropical waters and move onto shallow mudflats to feed with the incoming and outgoing tides. Adults and juveniles may school together, and they may be found singly, in pairs or schooled in bigger groups.

**Length of average cast needed:** 25 feet to 40 feet

**Permit:** 6 to 30 lbs average size with smaller and bigger landed. Permit are usually found in shallow, tropical waters such as mudflats, sand flats, coral and channels. They are usually seen as individuals or in small schools.

**Length of average cast needed:** 25 feet to 50 feet

**Tarpon** (*Megalops atlanticus*): Average size in Central Belize varies. Resident fish range 5 lbs to the 80 lbs, with a few being over 100 lbs. Migratory Tarpon size range about 80 lbs to over 175 lbs. Tarpon are found in both saltwater and freshwater habitats and are able to survive in brackish water, waters of varying pH, and habitats with low oxygen content due to their swim bladders, which they use primarily to breathe. They are also able to rise to the surface and take gulps of air, which gives them a short burst of energy.

**Length of average cast needed:** 30 feet to 60 feet

**Snook:** Average size 8 to 15 lbs in Central Belize, with smaller and bigger being landed. Snook live in shallow coastal waters estuaries, and lagoons and often move between saltwater to fresh water. Snook feed on smaller fish. The snook is considered an opportunistic predator and studies show a positive relationship between their size and the size of their prey, meaning that as the snook grows it feeds on larger and larger prey.

**Length of average cast needed:** 20 feet to 30 feet.

*"Perfect 82 degree weather, great fishing, and Yvonne's incredible local cuisine made it one of the best in my 35 years of coming to Belize River Lodge."*

*~ Larry K.*

## **CUSTOM TOURS**

The Lodge provides vacation packages to the eco-adventure tourists and to anglers who would like to visit Belize's many wonderful sites. Belize River Lodge offers sea and land tours which are available for a half day, if you are arriving on an early flight or departing on a later afternoon flight, or full day options.



## HALF DAY TOURS

Here are a few fun tours that are available for a ½ day from the main Lodge. Take advantage of the late departure or early arrival and see a little of Belize.

**ALTUN HA** Maya Temples: Altun Ha, "Rockstone Water", is the nearest major Maya ruin from the Lodge. Altun Ha was a major trading center during the Classic Period and it was occupied from as early as B.C 900 to about A.D. 1000. This Maya site is made up of two central plazas surrounded by temples. The famous jade head of the Mayan sun god, Kinich Ahau, was uncovered here. The trails and surrounding area around Altun Ha is a birder's paradise.

**THE BELIZE ZOO:** Home to approximately 100 species of our native Belizean animals. Animals live in a natural habitat; photo opportunities for jaguars, tapirs, toucans, margay, jabirus, & other exotic species.

**BELIZE CITY:** The old capital of British Honduras is situated on the coast & is surrounded by mangroves. It is still the busiest & largest population center of Belize. The Swing Bridge, St. John's Cathedral, Foreshore, Courthouse, Baron Bliss Lighthouse, & Princess Margaret Drive are areas of interest. Included in this visit is a stop at Her Majesty's prison, which is now the Belize museum. The museum has a showing of pictures of old British Honduras and a wonderful collection of Mayan artifacts. You will also have a chance to souvenir shop.

**BELIZE OLDE RIVER:** Our Belize Olde River was the mainstream of activity for the first European settlers, who used the river to transport logwood & mahogany. Settlements along the river still bear the names of those who first staked out claims & worked the area. Crocodiles, iguanas, many species of birds, snakes, turtles, howler monkeys, possibly a manatee, & the flora of the area are also attractions on this tour. This is also a great time to bird, as the banks of the river is home to many different species of parrots, parakeets, Montezuma's Oropendula and many, many more.

**COMMUNITY BABOON Sanctuary:** Visit the baboon ranger station and learn about the howler monkey and the local wildlife. Hike through the Bermudian Landing sanctuary and see the howler monkey in their natural habitat.

**SNORKELING THE BARRIER REEF:** If you arrive on an early flight or depart on a later one, enjoy a leisure ½ day snorkeling. Enjoy looking for exotic tropical fish and observing the many different species of colorful coral.

## FULL DAY TOURS

**Note:** Birding is great all around Belize as the habitat is very varied, from the swamp and mangrove coastlines to the hills and rain forest inland. No matter where you go, there are birds to see! All of BRL's tours offer spectacular birding opportunities as some of the best Belize bird watching sites are found close to other great attractions. If your interests are birds, let us know when you book your tour package, so that we schedule you a guide with more of a birding focus. As you read about the following tours, keep in mind that on most of the tours, the primary focus can be the birds of Belize.

*{Northern Belize, OW}* **LAMANAI & NEW RIVER:** Start the day with an hour drive up the Northern Highway to the Tower Hill Bridge, where you meet your boat and captain. Enjoy an approximate hour boat ride to Lamanai and along the way, the guide will point out birds & other wildlife as you boat up the New River to Lamanai (Submerged Crocodile). At the site, you will experience the mystic of this Mayan site as you walk through the jungle visiting the different acropolises. Lamanai was one of the longest occupied sites in the MundoMaya world as it was continuously occupied for over 3,000 years and well beyond most other Maya sites, until at least 1,650 AD. Lamanai also has a very interesting museum and is another great birding site due to the surrounding tropical rainforest. *Note: Once you get the boat, the tour is open to other people who the boat captains have booked, not a fully private tour. Fully private tour available at additional charge, please ask for pricing.*

## **FULL DAY TOURS *continued***

{*Western Belize*} **BEST OF THE WEST** (Belize Zoo, Xunantunich Maya Site & Cahal Pech Maya Site): Start the day with a stop at the Belize Zoo and visit many of Belize's native animals, birds and wildlife. Belize Zoo sits upon 29 acres of tropical savanna and exhibits over 150 animals, representing over 45 species; all native to Belize. The zoo keeps animals which were orphaned, rescued, born at the zoo or rehabilitated animals. It is a wonderful zoo with a "don't miss" opportunity to see all the cats of Belize, including the Jaguars! Continue on to Xunantunich (Maiden of the Rock), which was a major ceremonial Mayan site during the classic period and most of the structures here date from about 200 to 900 AD. Climb to the top of El Castillo, the largest temple of this site and gaze across the expanse of the remains of this great Maya City. If time allows in your day, travel to Cahal Pech (Place of the Tick), which is a beautifully restored elite Maya family residential area, located near the town of San Iganacio. Most construction dates to the Classic period, however, evidence shows continuous habitation as far back as 1200 BC, making Cahal Pech one of the oldest recognizably Maya sites in Western Belize. Walk through the archways and plazas and see how the Maya lived. Both Xunantunich and Cahal Pech are excellent birding sites and home to many species of birds including the Blue Crowned MotMot. **(Requested Favorite of Guests)**

{*Central Belize, Inland*} **ALTUN HA Maya Site, COMMUNITY BABOON Sanctuary & BELIZE OLDE RIVER:** Start the day with a ride on the old Northern highway (one lane) to Altun Ha which was a major trading center during the Maya Classic Period. The famous jade head of the Mayan sun god, Kinich Ahau, was uncovered here. Continue on with a visit to the baboon (Belizean local name for the black howler monkey) ranger station and learn about the howler monkey and the local wildlife. Hike through the Bermudian Landing sanctuary and see the howler monkey in their natural habitat. Finish the day, with a boat ride on our Belize Olde River was the mainstream of activity for the first European settlers, who used the river to transport logwood & mahogany. Settlements along the river still bear the names of those who first staked out claims & worked the area. Crocodiles, iguanas, many species of birds, snakes, turtles, howler monkeys, possibly a manatee, & the flora of the area are also attractions on this tour. \* If you are an angler the late afternoon is a good time to find the rolling baby tarpon, so your guide will have a light weight rod on board as an "in case". **(Requested Favorite of Guests)**

{*Central Belize, Caribbean Sea*} **SNORKELING THE BARRIER REEF:** Snorkel the day away watching exotic tropical fish and observing the many different species of colorful coral. Sunbathe & picnic on an island in privacy. Spend a relaxing day snorkeling and enjoying the underwater wonders of the Belize Barrier Reef. This tour can be combined with other water activities and also fishing on the Flats. Snorkeling day can be combined with a beach day &/or Mangrove Cathedral tour. (Can be combined with any Flats fishing day – just let your guide know!) **(Requested Favorite of Guests)**

{*Western Belize*} **THE OTHER WEST-** (Guanacaste Park, Xunantunich, & Butterfly farm): Start your morning visiting Guanacaste Park, one of Belize's many wonderful reserves. Wander the nature trails looking at the flora & fauna and searching for the MotMot or some of the other colorful birds of Belize. Continue on to Xunantunich Maya site, which was a major ceremonial Mayan site. Climb to the top of El Castillo, the largest temple of this site. Xunantunich also offers scenic nature trails for birding. This time, you will finish off your day with a stop at a butterfly farm. Wander under their enclosed tent with butterflies fluttering all around you. See if you can name all the different species.

{*Western Belize*} **NATURE'S WEST -** (The Belize Zoo, Guanacaste Park & the Inland Blue Hole): Explore the Belize Zoo and visit many of Belize's native animals, birds and wildlife. Visit the otters and don't miss the Jaguars! Continue your day with a visit to Guanacaste Park, one of Belize's many wonderful reserves. Wander the nature trails looking at the flora and fauna while searching for tropical colorful birds of Belize. Continue on to the Inland Blue Hole, offering many jungle trails which are great for birding. This is a great place to end your day with a swim in the cool waters of the Inland Blue Hole.



## **FULL DAY TOURS *continued***

{Central Belize, Inland} **ALTUN HA Maya Site & BELIZE CITY:** Altun Ha, "*Rockstone Water*", is the nearest major Maya ruin from the Lodge. Altun Ha was a major trading center during the Classic Period and it was occupied from as early as B.C 900 to about A.D. 1000. Altun Ha is made up of two central plazas surrounded by temples. The famous jade head of the Mayan sun god, Kinich Ahau, was uncovered here. This site is a birder's paradise. Belize City is the old capital of British Honduras and is situated on the coast & is surrounded by mangroves. It is still the busiest & largest population center of Belize. The Swing Bridge, St. John's Cathedral, Foreshore, Courthouse, Baron Bliss Lighthouse, & Princess Margaret Drive are areas of interest, some dating from Colonial days. You will also have a chance to visit the Old Majesty's Prison which has been converted into a wonderful museum, displaying Maya artifacts and a collection of photos of British Honduras along with the logging days. This is also a great time to souvenir shop.

{Central Belize, Inland} **HORSEBACK RIDING & ALTUN HA Maya site:** Horseback ride through lush greenery, under wonderful overhanging trees and beautiful flowers. The majestic calls of Belize's exotic birds are the background music. Relax in your western style saddle and enjoy your fully guided nature adventure while the sounds of nature surround you. Whether you begin or end your day at the Maya site of Altun Ha, you will experience one of Belize's many wonders. Altun Ha was a major trading center during the Maya Classic Period. You will be able to wander through the plazas and experience the wonder of a past civilization. (Great birding site in Central Belize.)

{Central Belize, Inland} **COMMUNITY BABOON SANCTUARY & CROOKED TREE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY:** Visit the baboon (Belizean local name for the black howler monkey) ranger station and learn about the howler monkey and the local wildlife. Hike through the Bermudian Landing sanctuary and see the howler monkeys in their natural habitat. Continue on to Crooked Tree, an excellent spot for birdwatching. See the nests of the Jabiru stork and probably see the actual Jabiru itself. A day offering varied birding opportunities.

{Central Belize, Caribbean Sea & Rivers} **MANGROVE CATHEDRALS, MANATEE WATCH, & MIAMI BEACH:** Enjoy the boat ride through the spectacular 60 - 90 foot high red mangroves, which are the tallest ones in all of Belize. Examples of the competition between the environment & development will be pointed out & explained as mangroves are an absolutely essential part of the ecosystem. Continue on in search of manatees in areas that they frequently visit. You will pass by St. George's Caye, the first unofficial capital of British Honduras, settled by the British in the 1600's. Swim at Miami Beach, which isn't a beach at all, but a shallow white sand bottom in crystal clear water, frequented by a variety of saltwater fish. This is a chance to keep an eye out for water birds. (Can be combined with any Flats fishing day – just let your guide know!)

{Northern Belize, OW} **CHAN MUUL YAAX K'AAX MUSEUM & HOLPATIN TRAIL:** The Yucatec Maya Holpatin Trail envelops an area of Orange Walk starting from Orange Walk Town, south to the Archaeological site of Lamanai. Guest will experience the *Pok-Ta-Pok* ball game in the town of Yo Creek and depending on time, you may have the opportunity to visit the archaeological site of Cuello. Your day also includes a visit to the *U Chan Muul Yaax K'aax* Yucatec Maya Museum; located in San Lazaro village, it is a small community based museum with items displayed to promote traditional Maya culture. *U Chan Muul Yaax K'aax* museum offers: 1: Caste War Exhibition, the primary collection features artifacts from the Maya Social War (1847). Note: Migration to Belize by many Yucatec Maya occurred because of this war between the Maya and Spanish people in the Yucatán. 2: A Walk along the Folklore Trail: An immersive way to enjoy Maya folklore by taking a walk along the trail with the *Alux*, *Xtabai* and *La Llorona* and in the botanical garden, you meet the Mayan gods, *Ixchel* and *Yumkaax*. 3: A great opportunity to enjoy authentic Yucatec Mayan cuisine, traditionally prepared food and drinks made from 100% natural ingredients. (Great birding throughout the day and Maya History tour)

## ***FULL DAY TOURS continued***

*{Northern Belize, OW & Czl}* **CERROS Maya site & CUELLO:** Start out and head north through the Orange Walk District, into Corozal. The Mayan temples of Cerros (*Spanish Hill*), overlooks the Chetumal Bay and was an important trading center (mainly sea-borne import of jade and obsidian) during the late pre-Classic period. Cerros is only about 53 acres and offers a great tour as it contains five temples, plazas and two ball courts. The site is located on a peninsula at the mouth of the New River which empties into Chetumal Bay and is partially underwater. Cerros was covered by jungle and is still surrounded by jungle trails offering great birding opportunities. Backtracking to Orange Walk and to the Cuello Maya site. Cuello is located between the Rio Hondo and New River, set on high ground, and is one of the oldest settled societies in Mesoamerica, dating back to 2400 B.C. Cuello takes its name from the current landowners, the Cuello family. Cuello shows an early transformation from a farming community to a ceremonial center. The site occupies the compound of the local rum distillery of the same name and is a cattle farm.

*{Western Belize}* **AERIAL TREK CANOPY TOUR (ZIP LINE) & CAVE TUBING:** Visit Belize's jungle in a new and exciting manner as you gently glide over the rain forest along steel cables from platform to platform. This tour will offer a total of 8 platforms and uses technology heavily borrowed from rock climbing and features a double line with redundancy to provide safety. This aerial trek canopy tour offers an adventurer a thrilling opportunity to soar through the jungle treetops above the forest floor. Combine the day with river tubing. After an approximate 20 minute hike through the jungle and across the Caves Branch River, you will begin cave tubing. As you tube through Belize, you will float through five cave tunnels back to the originating point. Along the way, you will see the beautiful stalagmites and stalactites within the cave systems. Both tours are fully guided and along the way, on both tours, the guides will explain the different areas of the ecosystem that you are experiencing.

*{Western Belize}* **VACA LAKE JUNGLE PONTOON WATERFALL TOUR:** Enjoy an approximate 2 hour leisurely drive out West along the George Price Highway to your destination in Benque Viejo. Then 45min off-road ride on a jungle trail in a SUV to your awaiting Pontoon. On the tour, you will motor you along the Vaca Lake which is a man-made reservoir in the upper Macal River Valley. On your initial hike and on the boat ride you will have the chance to see wildlife like tapirs, spider monkeys, ocelots, and exotic birds. The boat ride is an easygoing lap around the reservoir. The pontoon will make a few stops 1: at a dock where you can get out to take a short hike and visit a waterfall for a picturesque swim 2: At one of three pristine waterfalls for an exploratory hike and optional swimming. This Pontoon tour is a relaxing way to enjoy a lush green area only accessible by boat.

*{Western Belize}* **AROUND BELMOPAN:** Guanacaste Park, Belmopan St. Herman's Blue Hole: Start your morning visiting Guanacaste Park, one of Belize's many wonderful reserves. Wander the nature trails looking at the flora & fauna and searching for the MotMot or some of the other colorful birds of Belize. You will be given a quick tour of our capital City, Belmopan. Then enjoy a quick trip down the Hummingbird Highway, stopping at the inland Blue Hole, managed by the Belize Audubon. This Blue Hole is a collapsed underground limestone cave. It is fed by a river running through the original cavern system, and forms a sapphire-colored pool at the bottom of the cenote, where the cavern collapsed. The pool measures about 100 feet deep and 300 feet in diameter, with the actual blue hole at the depression's base having a depth of about 25 feet. Many hiking trails are within the park. Some of the unusual birds known to this area include Lovely Cotinga, Spotted-Wood Quail, Keel-Billed Toucans, Red-Legged Honey Creepers, White-collared Manakins, Slaty-Tailed Trogons and Crested Guans. The inland Blue Hole offers a cool place to swim, relax and cool down before heading back to the Lodge.

Note: Time is a bit hard to judge, so depending on the day's time frame, you might have time to visit St. Herman's Cave. It is a short hike to the cave entrance from the Visitor Center, and the trail is surrounded by jungle, more bird habitat. You will descend stairs that was originally cut by the Maya and enter the cave. Inside the cave is a creek and beautiful formations of stalagmites and stalactites.

## **FULL DAY TOURS *continued***

{*Western Belize*} **CHECHEMHA MAYA POTTERY CAVE & BUTTERFLY FARM:** Lead by an experienced guide, hike about 30 minutes uphill to the entrance of Che Chem Ha cave. The entrance opens into a vast array of winding limestone passageways and tall, narrow rooms filled with ancient Maya pottery dating back 1500-2000 years. This tour requires a certain degree of physical fitness. The Butterfly Center has been created to raise awareness and understanding of the local environment for locals and visitors. Visitors are lead through displays of butterflies, moths, insects and amphibians, and archaeological artifacts. An interactive area focuses on the life cycles of forest life.

{*Western Belize*} **MOUNTAIN PINE RIDGE:** Enjoy a relaxing day traveling through our 300 sq. mile forest reserve, comprised of hills & valleys, rivers & waterfalls, swimming pools & caves, all surrounded by magnificent Pine forests. Swim in the enticing natural pools. Road & weather conditions allowing, you will travel to the Hidden 1000 ft Falls, a spectacular site amid the tropical rainforest. (2 person minimum)

{*Western Belize*} **CAHAL PECH, MEDICINAL TRAIL & MACAL RIVER:** First stop of the day is at Cahal Pech (Place of the Tick) Maya site, which is a beautifully restored elite Maya family residential area, located near the town of San Ignacio. Most construction dates to the Classic period, however, evidence shows continuous habitation as far back as 1200 BC, making Cahal Pech one of the oldest recognizably Maya sites in Western Belize. Walk through the archways and plazas and see how the Maya lived. Cahal Pech are excellent birding sites and home to many species of birds including the Blue Crowned Mot Mot. With a short jaunt back down the road, you will enter Chaa Creek's Medicinal Trail. This is a beautiful tropical path where you are shown plants & herbs used by Belizeans and Mayas for medicinal purposes. Finish up with an approximate 6 mile leisure canoe down the Macal River to San Ignacio. After your canoeing, you get transported back to BRL for the evening.

{*Western Belize*} **CARACOL Maya Site:** Travel deep into the Chiquibul Forest Park, to the Mayan site of Caracol. Caracol has offered many changes to the previously formed concepts about the Maya. Evidence shows that Caracol was a larger and stronger city than Tikal in Guatemala. Caana, the largest temple at this site, is fully excavated and magnificent. A museum offering information & artifacts is open. Caracol offers a wide variety of birding possibilities. (Note: 2.5 to 3 hour drive to site. 2 person minimum)

{*Western Belize*} **ACTUN TUNICHIL MUKNAL CAVE (ATM Cave):** A beautiful cave tour that begins after a hike through the lush subtropical forest of the Tapir Mountain Reserve. Within the cave you will see sparkling stalactites and stalagmites and magnificent Mayan artifacts that reveal the mystical world of the Maya. (Early departure from the Lodge is required to make the tour in time. This tour requires a *high level of activity* – hiking and climbing.)

{*Central to South Belize*} **IAN ANDERSON'S CAVE TOURS:** Mayan shamans & priests used caves for many ceremonial purposes. View the ceremonial alters, artifacts, pottery, along with natural cave crystal stalagmites & stalactites. Enjoy your day as you explore the mystical world of Xibala. (Early departure from the Lodge is required to make the tour in time. Some caves requires a *high level of activity* – hiking and climbing.)

{*Central to South Belize*} **BLACK HOLE DROP:** A drive out west to Ian Anderson's along the Hummingbird Highway begins your day to visit the "Mother of all Caves", *Actun Loch Tunich*. The tour starts with a 90 minute vigorous, steep uphill hike in the foothills of the Maya Mountains, to the upper edge of the sinkhole. The *Actun Loch Tunich* sinkhole sits over 300 feet above the basin below, 200 feet above the rain forest canopy that grows out from the sinkhole basin. The name Black Hole Drop refers to the sight vantang at the top of the sinkhole as you cannot see the bottom when you start. Your fully trained guides rig the rappelling ropes for the basin descent - the first 10 feet is adrenaline packed, the next 200 feet offers beautiful sights to behold as you descend through the rainforest canopy. Once you're at the bottom you rest with a delicious picnic lunch. After lunch a moderate hike back to the starting point. (**Age requirements:** mature 10 yrs old and up. **Preferred clothing:** comfortable lightweight long pants and shirt for movement and easily dried. Well-treaded sneakers or hiking boots and mosquito repellent. Sandals/Texas/open toed shoes are not allowed. **Intensity Level:** Extreme. all participants must be relatively fit.)

## **FULL DAY TOURS continued**

{Southern Belize} **ANTELOPE FALLS HIKE WITH ANTELOPE FALLS RAPELLING:** For the more adventurous, this is a fully guided day starting with a great hike to see the flora and fauna around Mayflower Bocawina National Park. This is a superb birding site. After a challenging hike, there is time to cool off in the refreshing emerald pools at the top of the falls which has a great vantage point with breathtaking views all the way to the Caribbean Sea. Here you can either do a hike back to your waiting vehicle or for the more adventurous, the professional guides outfit and instruct you as you descend an exhilarating 250ft rappel in two stages down the Antelope Waterfall to return on the trail to the Adventure Center. Note: If of interest and time allows, the longest Zipline Course in Belize is available to enjoy - 14 platforms and 9 different runs to enjoy over the rainforest. Antelope Falls Hike and Rappelling takes approximately 4 hours and the Zipline takes approximately 1½ to 2 hours to complete. *(A little earlier departure from the Lodge may be needed as tour site is about a 2 to 2.5 hour drive from BRL. You will travel the Hummingbird Highway is a beautiful drive. Hike is moderate Fitness level and can include climbing, rappelling and maybe swimming.)*

{Southern Belize} **TIGER FERN HIKE** by Maya Center Village: Tiger Fern trail is one of a number of trails in the Cockscomb Basin Wildlife Sanctuary and a part of the Jaguar Preserve. Great for birding and you should see evidence of our beautiful jaguar. The Tiger Fern trail meanders through the jungle, leading up to a wonderful view of the Basin and Victoria Peak a few miles away. The trail then dips down and arrives at a double waterfall flowing into pools where you can take a refreshing swim. *(A little earlier departure from the Lodge may be needed as tour site is about a 3 hour drive from BRL. You will travel the Hummingbird Highway, a beautiful drive. Hike is listed as moderate to better fitness level and can include climbing, hiking and maybe swimming.)*

{Western Belize} **EL PILAR:** *(The Birder's Paradise)* A Mayan site that was built between 600 BC & AD1000. While El Pilar has been studied, the buildings have been left underground for conservation. Because of this, the jungle has grown up & makes an ideal habitat for many beautiful birds. It is a great place to see the Keel-Billed Toucan, the Blue-crowned Motmot, the Rufous-tailed Jacamar & many others in their natural environment.

{Western Belize} **JUNGLE GOLFING, ST. HERMAN'S BLUE HOLE:** If you enjoy golf, then Belize has a new experience for you – a 9 hole “jungle” golf course. Golf enthusiasts will understand the following, written by BRL guest Rich after he enjoyed an afternoon on the green – “9 holes, 2 sets of T-boxes, Par 32 1933 yards + 1959 yards = 3892 yards. Five par 4's, four par 3 holes. It is a fun 9 hole holiday course. Accuracy is required as fairways are narrow with small greens. Greens are slow, requiring firm chips and putts. There are a few blind and obstructed second shots required. Preferred lies and Astroturf tee boxes.” Pullcarts, clubs, balls and tees available. The course includes tropical birds flying overhead, a few ponds abounding with local wildlife, turtles and crocs – be careful of ball retrieval.” After golfing and working up a sweat, enjoy a quick trip down the Hummingbird Highway, stopping at the inland Blue Hole, managed by the Belize Audubon. This Blue Hole is a collapsed underground limestone cave. It is fed by a river running through the original cavern system, and forms a sapphire-colored pool at the bottom of the cenote, where the cavern collapsed. The pool measures about 100 feet deep and 300 feet in diameter, with the actual blue hole at the depression's base having a depth of about 25 feet. The inland Blue Hole offers a cool place to swim, relax and cool down before heading back to the Lodge.

## **Other Tour Packages available, not included in regular priced packages**

{Central Belize, Caribbean Sea and Barrier Reef} **\*\* SCUBA DIVING:** Explore the reef from the bottom up! Dive amid the coral of Belize's Barrier Reef, swimming with tropical fishes and among beautiful coral. Certified divers only (need to have taken a dive in the last 2 years). Note: BRL does not operate dive tours, we rendezvous with reputable dive shops who provide this service.

## **FULL DAY TOURS continued**

{Southern Belize} \*\* *LUBANTUN Maya Site & NIM LI PUNIT Maya Site*: Depart the Lodge about 7:00 am to catch a flight to Punta Gorda (PG) in Southern Belize. Arriving in PG about 9:00 am, you will be met by a tour guide to begin your Southern Belize journey. A forty five minute drive will take you to the Mayan site of Nim Li Punit, located in Indian Creek Village. Nim Li Punit is a medium sized site from the Classic Period consisting of structures surrounding three plazas including a number of carved stelae. Nim Li Punit has an onsite museum. After Nim Li Punit you will enjoy lunch and continue your journey to nearby San Pedro Columbia Village, where you will discover the Mayan Temples of Lubaantun, the biggest Mayan archeological site in Southern Belize. Lubaantun dates from the Maya Classic era and the architecture is somewhat unusual compared to typical Belize classical central lowland Maya sites. While visiting Southern Belize, and as you walk along ancient structures and stelae, don't forget to stop and enjoy the spectacular views of PG. Both Mayan sites have a large variety of birds so be on the lookout for any wildlife you may encounter during your tour. Your guide will have you back at the PG airport for 4:00/4:15 pm to check your flight to Belize City, where you will be met by a BRL staff member and transferred to the Lodge. (Continental breakfast and an early departure from the Lodge is required to make the tour in time. Also, this tour is not included in regular tour pricing due to variation in flight prices from PGIA to PG. Request pricing.)

**REMEMBER . . . BIRDING:** Birding is great all around Belize as the habitat is very varied, from the swamp and mangrove coastlines to the hills and rain forest inland. No matter where you go, there are birds to see! All of BRL's tours offer spectacular birding opportunities as some of the best Belize bird watching sites are found close to other great attractions. If your interests are birds, let us know when you book your tour package, so that we schedule you a guide with more of a birding focus.

Note: With over 500 birds in Belize, over 110 have been seen on or around the Belize River Lodge property, so you can start your birding adventure right at the Lodge, before breakfast.

## **BONEFISH & TARPON TRUST (BTT)**

Mike and Marguerite's Belize River Lodge has been involved in conservation and protection of Belize's sporting species since the early 1980's. When learning of BTT in 2007 (when BTT was Bonefish & Tarpon Unlimited), they joined and have been trying to help support in different ways and by helping to get anglers aware of (BTT) and what they are doing to help Belize and many other flats fishing destinations.

**BTT Mission Statement:** *To conserve and enhance global bonefish, tarpon and permit fisheries and their environments through stewardship, research, education and advocacy, as well as:*

- *Serving as a repository for information and knowledge related to the life cycle, behavior and well being of bonefish, tarpon and permit.*
- *Nurturing and enhancing bonefish, tarpon, and permit populations.*
- *Supporting research on bonefish, tarpon, and permit behavior and life cycles, and on bonefish, tarpon, and permit fisheries.*
- *Providing educational material to the public and fishermen*
- *Working with regulatory authorities and the public to ensure that the laws protecting these species are enforced*
- *Interacting with government agencies to assist in the management and regulations related to bonefish and tarpon.*

*BTT is a group of concerned anglers and guides who want to preserve their way of life. Scientists working to answer questions about these popular and elusive gamefish. Bonefish & Tarpon Trust is this and more. It was formed in 1998 by a group of anglers, guides, and scientists in the Florida Keys who wanted to learn more about bonefish and tarpon in order to enhance their dwindling populations. Since then it has grown to include concerned anglers from over 20 countries, researchers from throughout the world, and guides committed to working with BTT in order to educate anglers and gather data while on the water. Our continued success can only be guaranteed by your generous support and that of your fellow anglers.*

## **BONEFISH & TARPON TRUST (BTT) continued**

Please help us in our mission by joining, and urging your friends, guides, captains and fishing clubs to join.  
<https://www.bonefishtarpontrust.org/>

For more information on how Belize River Lodge is supporting BTT and their studies, please contact us.  
For more information on BTT or to become a member, please visit <http://www.bonefishtarpontrust.org>

## **CENTRAL BELIZE INSHORE FISHING ASSOCIATION (CBIFA)**

A few years ago, the Central Belize fishing guides came together and formed a non-profit to focus attention on the flats, fishing grounds and inshore fish in our area. Our mission statement states our purpose.

*To conserve, protect and enhance Central Belize bonefish, tarpon, permit and snook and other fish and mammals resources and their environments through stewardship, research and education, as well as:*

- *Nurturing and enhancing bonefish, tarpon, permit and snook populations and other fish and mammals resources.*
- *Supporting research on bonefish, tarpon, permit and snook behavior and life cycles, and on bonefish, tarpon, permit and snook fisheries and other fish and mammals resources.*
- *Working with regulatory authorities and the public to ensure that the laws protecting these species are enforced.*
- *Interacting with government agencies to assist in the management and regulations related to bonefish, tarpon, permit and snook populations and other fish and mammals resources.*

CBIFA is a group of concerned anglers and guides who want to preserve a large area of Belize's sport fishing habitat. CBIFA is a non-profit, membership based organization.

## **INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL**

### **~ Belize River Lodge & Long Caye Outpost Lodge**

*Travel Documents:* A **valid passport is required** to enter Belize and must be valid at least six months beyond the duration of your stay. Visitors from the USA, UK and most of the Caribbean do not need Visas. Most other countries do. Any questions, please contact the Embassy of Belize in the USA at (202) 332-9636, Fax (202) 332-6888 and the website at <http://www.embassy.org/embassies/bz.html>

*Travelling with Minors:* **Children under 18 years of age must have proper documentation**, including a valid passport and letter of parental consent. Children traveling with one parent require a notarized letter of authority from the other parent indicating travel consent.

I really enjoy the surprise of the variety of fish and fishing locales I can run into in a day or a week at BRL. Small tarpon, giant tarpon, snook, snappers, permit, bones. I dig the jungle rivers and the ocean flats. I dream about the homemade food. And I love my guide Pedro !

D. Smith  
Salt Lake City, UT

*Travel Arrangements:* Belize is getting easier to fly to than ever before. All flights to Belize land at the Philip Goldson International Airport (PGIA) in Ladyville, airport code is **BZE** where a BRL representative meets you at the airport and transfers you to the Lodge, only a few miles away, to get checked in. Below are the airlines and routes currently flying to Belize.

**Alaska Air:** Los Angeles (LAX), CA

- Friday and Saturday LA to Belize and Saturday and Sunday Belize to LA.

**Alaska Air:** Seattle (SEA), WA and Los Angeles (LAX), CA

- Tuesday & Saturday Seattle to Belize and Wednesday & Sunday Belize to Seattle.

**Air Canada: Toronto (YYZ), Canada** - Air Canada is a Sunday only flight



### ***Travel Arrangements continued***

**American Airlines:** Dallas (DFW), TX – Daily Flight with extra flight on Saturday

**American Airlines:** Miami (MIA), FL

- Daily Flight with extra flights on Saturday, Sunday and Monday  
*Some American Miami arrivals, will depart to Charlotte, NC and Vice Versa*

**American Airlines:** Charlotte (CLT), NC

- Saturday only flight.  
*Some American Miami arrivals, will depart to Charlotte, NC and Vice Versa*

**Copa:** Panama City (PTY), Panama - Friday only flight

**Delta:** Atlanta (ATL), GA – Daily Flights

**Delta:** Minneapolis (MSP), MN - Saturday only flight

**Southwest:** Houston (HOU), TX – Daily Flights

**Southwest:** Denver (DEN), CO - Saturday only flight

**Sun Country:** Minneapolis–Saint Paul (MSP), MN - Saturday only flight

**TAG Airlines:** Guatemala City (GUA), Guatemala

- Monday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday flights

**Tropic Air:** Cancun (CUN), Mexico and San Salvador (SAL), El Salvador  
– Daily Flights

**Tropic Air:** Roatán (RTB), Honduras

- Monday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday Belize to Roatan Flight.
- Tuesday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday Roatan to Belize Flight.

**Tropic Air:** San Pedro Sula (SAP), Honduras

- Tuesday and Thursday Flights

**United:** Houston (IAH), TX - Daily Flights with extra flight on Friday, Saturday and Sunday

**United:** Newark (EWR), NJ - Saturday and Sunday Flights

**United:** Denver (DEN), CO - Saturday and Sunday Flights

**WestJet:** Toronto (YYZ), Canada - Wednesday and Saturday Flights

**WestJet:** Calgary (YYC), Canada - Friday Flights

If you are arriving in your private aircraft, planes should clear through Philip Goldson International Airport (airport code: BZE) with the Belize Civil Aviation Department and the Belize Airport Authority.

**Travel Protection:** Travel Insurance and protection is always nice to have as you never know what the future will hold or if plans need to be changed at the last minute. Many travel insurance sites are available. Belize River Lodge strongly recommends that you enroll with Global Rescue (<https://ss.globalrescue.com/partner/belizeriverlodge/>) prior to your trip if you are getting trip insurance.

**Note:** If you are booked during hurricane season (June to October), and you have paid for your trip, if a storm brews and your trip has to be postponed, no problem, you don't lose any money, you have one year to reschedule your dates.

**Gratuities/Tipping:** BRL does not include a service charge or gratuities on your bill.

**Catch & Release Only:** Belize River Lodge was the first to practice catch and release for Permit, Bonefish & Tarpon and as of the summer of 2009, it is now law! Belize law states that all Permit, Tarpon and Bonefish are Catch & Release only. Even though not protected by law, BRL continues its goal to improve the fishing environment, so only one Snook per day at guide's size discretion (and only if wanted by the guest) may be kept. Some Snapper, Barracuda & Grouper may be kept for the table, again only if wanted by the guest – BRL cooks will prepare for evenings meal.

**Belize Fishing Licenses:** A fishing license is required to sports fish in Belize. **Note: CZMAI requires all fishing licenses to be purchased from them. Please visit <https://apps.coastalzonebelize.org/> to purchase your Belize fishing license.** Fishing licenses are per person - US\$25.00 for the week or US\$10.00 per day.

## INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL ~ BRL & LCOL CONTINUED

**Wading:** Some wading is available from both the main Lodge and the Outpost Lodge. If you would like to wade, please let us know ahead of time, so that we can schedule you with a guide who wades. There is no wading while fishing Snook and Tarpon. If fishing for Bonefish & Permit, about 20% of our flats are wadable. Please note, that the wadable flats are usually the first to blow out in windy conditions.

**Mike's Closet (Tackle Shop):** BRL has a small tackle shop with an assortment of fishing supplies – flies, lures, backing, lines, leaders and tippet. Mike's Closet has a good selection of flies and lures on sale (based on the BRL recommended lists), however, you can follow our fishing list and bring everything that you will need, using Mike's Closet as a back-up. If you cannot find something on the recommended list, don't worry, we have it available at the main Lodge. Rental equipment, both fly and spin, is also available.

**Rental Equipment:** Belize River Lodge has rental equipment, subject to availability. Fly fishing equipment is top quality, mainly Sage rods, 8 wt's, 10 wt's & 12 wt's, & Teton, Sage or Bauer saltwater reels. All reels have Rio lines. We also have a few 8 wt, 9 wt & 12 wt Winston rods in our rental equipment. Spin fishing equipment is also top quality, mainly Ugly Sticks with Shimano or Penn reels.

**Marguerite's Restaurant & Meals:** BRL serves family style meals and our daily menus are varied and very tasty. It is best if we know before you arrive in Belize if you have any special dietary restrictions (food allergies, specific diets or special requests), so that we can prepare your meals to your needs. BRL's cooks can prepare meals for Celiac Disease, Vegetarian, Diabetes, low carb diet, and more just let us know your dietary requirement.

The main Lodge is near supplies, so we can usually accommodate requests quickly. When checking in, we double check with you on dietary requirements, please be sure to let management know of any dietary restrictions or requirements that the kitchen staff needs to be aware. It is extremely necessary to know your dietary needs before your arrival in Belize if you are staying on Long Caye.

**Dietary Requirements at Long Caye Outpost Lodge:** The Outpost is 14 miles from the nearest supplies and is stocked before your arrival on the island. We need to know of any dietary requirements (food allergies, specific diets or special requests) BEFORE your arrival in Belize, so that your cook is aware and the island is fully stocked and prepared. Your cook can accommodate dietary needs as long as she is aware ahead of time.

**Long Caye Outpost Lodge - Items to consider before heading out to the island:** Long Caye is stocked per trip for food and drinks. Alcohol is basic stocking of 2 cases of Belikin Beer and 1 bottle of One Barrel Rum, purchased by guests, only if used. Coke Zero (Belize's diet) is available, let us know if you would like at the Outpost. When booking Long Caye Outpost Lodge, please note that along with basic stock of alcohol, we do NOT have flies, lures, any rods & reels, tying bench and materials. All of this is available at the main Lodge, so please be prepared. When staying on the island, please consider

___ Rod & Reels	___ Leaders	___ Drinks (sodas, tonic, soda water, beer, wine, other spirits)
___ Flies & Lures	___ Food (diets & special requests)	___ Anything else of importance

Please let us know if you need any of the above items so that we can have Long Caye stocked for your arrival.

I loved the trip so much I wanted to send you a very special thank you. The meals were amazing but needing a gluten free diet your staff also spoiled me every single day. It was such a treat to see what they had made each day. Please thank them so much again for me.

The guides were incredible and the fishing was such a new and wonderful experience.

The Belize River Lodge is a beautiful setting but it is so much more than that. My favourite part of the trip was actually sitting before dinner and at dinner talking and listening to the stories of the day and listening to Mike and Marguerite talk about the history and the stories of the lodge.

An amazing trip. Thank you so much for your warm hospitality. I can't wait to come back.

~ Connie S.

## **INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL ~ BRL & LCOL continued**

*Fly Fishing Belize by Jim Klug (www.klugphotos.com): From Vic Barothy's time to present day, this is a beautiful book with photos of all over Belize from the 1960's till today. "This book is a must-have for both saltwater flats fishermen and non-anglers who truly appreciate the scenic beauty of this Caribbean country. From a photography perspective, this book will speak to those who have fished Belize and those who plan to in the future."*

**Facts about your hosts:** Mike & Marguerite purchased the Lodge in 1986 and have owned and managed it ever since; however, their tourism career started years prior. Mike & Marguerite managed the Lodge, when it was known as *Keller's Caribbean Sports* (KCS) from 1980-1981. In late 1981, they were hired to manage *Pyramid Island Lodge* and moved to Caye Chapel. After a few years, they left Caye Chapel and opened up *Discover Belize*, known for live-aboard (the Permit) fishing and duck hunting trips, yes, there are blue-winged teal in Belize. In the mid '80's with Belize's regulations on gun control tightening and Mike & Marguerite's focus to conservation beginning, they phased out the duck hunting and continued fishing with a big focus on catch and release on the sporting species. When KCS went on the market in 1986, it was the right transition for them. When Mike & Marguerite purchased the Lodge, the guides were from good Ole' Vic's days – Jimmy Evans, Richard Smith, Phillip Andrewin, Roy Baptist and Leroy Eiley. These guides were a font of information on the old days and the fishing of Central Belize. With Mike and Marguerite's experience of Belize, tourism and fishing, they are entertaining and knowledgeable hosts.

"Belize River Lodge will exceed your expectations. It's like a little slice of fishing heaven. It's so easy to get to, and we were treated like kings from the moment they picked us up at the airport. Imagine being at a five-star tropical resort where your every need is met with a smile, and every detail is tended to. Then add a star or two. That's what BRL is like."

~ Jim S

## **BELIZE RIVER LODGE 2023 Rates**

Effective January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023

All rates are in US dollars. Rate & taxes (9% hotel tax, 12.5% GST tax) subject to change.

Belize River Lodge and Long Caye Outpost Lodge offers many packages, fishing only or combination fishing and eco-tour packages, eco-adventure touring only; below are a few of our rates. Packages of more and less days are available and combinations between BRL and LCOL, please look at these packages as a starting point to planning your customized vacation. Let us know if you do not see a package that you like and we can quote it for you.

**Belize River Lodge = BRL**  
**Long Caye Outpost Lodge = LCOL**

## **BRL Fishing Packages**

**~ Cost per person, based on *double occupancy***

3 Nights/2 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$2,125.00 per person based on double occupancy

4 Nights/3 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$2,975.00 per person based on double occupancy

5 Nights/4 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$3,775.00 per person based on double occupancy

6 Nights/5 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$4,550.00 per person based on double occupancy

7 Nights/6 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$5,350.00 per person based on double occupancy

8 Nights/7 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$5,995.00 per person based on double occupancy

*Half day fishing is available on arrival & departure days only. Please contact us for pricing.*

## BRL Fishing Packages

### ~ **Cost per Single Angler, Single Room**

- 3 Nights/2 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$3,050.00 for a single angler, single room
- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$4,250.00 for a single angler, single room
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$5,425.00 for a single angler, single room
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$6,550.00 for a single angler, single room
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$7,695.00 for a single angler, single room
- 8 Nights/7 Days BRL Fishing Package is US\$8,575.00 for a single angler, single room

*Half day fishing is available on arrival & departure days only. Please contact us for pricing*

*BRL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*BRL Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## BRL Non-Fishing /Rest & Relax Packages

*Non-Fishing packages are for wives/husbands that like to be in the skiff with their spouse/partner, but do not fish. Non-Fishing packages allows for person to go in the skiff with their spouse/partner or rest and relax at BRL.*

### ~ **Cost per person, based on double occupancy**

- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL NON-Fishing Package is US\$1,650.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL NON-Fishing Package is US\$2,050.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL NON-Fishing Package is US\$2,450.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL NON-Fishing Package is US\$2,850.00 per person based on double occupancy

*Non-Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, going in the boat with a fishing guest or R&Ring around Lodge, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*BRL Non-Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, Fishing packages & tackle, eco-tours, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## BRL Eco-Adventure Tour & Birding Packages

### ~ **Cost per person, based on double occupancy**

- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$2,250.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$2,875.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$3,675.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$4,300.00 per person based on double occupancy
- 8 Nights/7 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$4,925.00 per person based on double occupancy

### ~ **Cost per Single Eco-Tourist, Single Room**

- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$3,250.00 per person based on single eco-tourist
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$4,150.00 per person based on single eco-tourist
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$5,200.00 per person based on single eco-tourist
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$6,100.00 per person based on single eco-tourist
- 8 Nights/7 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$7,100.00 per person based on single eco-tourist

*BRL Tour Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*BRL Tour Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## **BRL COMBO Fish & Eco-Adventure Touring Packages**

### **~ Cost per person, based on *double occupancy***

5 Nights/4 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$3,550.00 per person based on double occupancy

6 Nights/5 Days BRL, 3 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$4,375.00 per person based on double occupancy

7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,150.00 per person based on double occupancy

### **~ Cost per *Single Angler/Eco-Tourist, Single Room (one to guide)***

5 Nights/4 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,100.00 per single Angler/Eco-Tourist & Single Room

6 Nights/5 Days BRL, 3 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$6,300.00 per single Angler/Eco-Tourist & Single Room

7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$7,350.00 per single Angler/Eco-Tourist & Single Room

*BRL Fishing & Touring Package Includes:* Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*BRL Fishing & Touring Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## **LCOL Fishing Packages**

### **~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of *4 People* to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$3,775.00 per person based on double occupancy

6 Nights/5 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$4,550.00 per person based on double occupancy

7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$5,350.00 per person based on double occupancy

8 Nights/7 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$5,995.00 per person based on double occupancy

### **~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of *6 People* to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$3,375.00 per person based on double occupancy

6 Nights/5 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$4,075.00 per person based on double occupancy

7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$4,825.00 per person based on double occupancy

8 Nights/7 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$5,400.00 per person based on double occupancy

### **~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of *2 People* to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$4,350.00 per person based on double occupancy

6 Nights/5 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$5,250.00 per person based on double occupancy

7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$6,250.00 per person based on double occupancy

8 Nights/7 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$6,975.00 per person based on double occupancy

*LCOL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*LCOL Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)



## LCOL Rest & Relax “R&R” / Water Tour Packages

### ~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of **4 People** to the Group

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$2,800.00 per person based on double occupancy  
6 Nights/5 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$3,425.00 per person based on double occupancy  
7 Nights/6 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$4,050.00 per person based on double occupancy

### ~ Cost per person, based on double occupancy with a total of **6 People** to the Group

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$2,525.00 per person based on double occupancy  
6 Nights/5 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$3,075.00 per person based on double occupancy  
7 Nights/6 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$3,650.00 per person based on double occupancy

### ~ Cost per person, based on double occupancy with a total of **2 People** to the Group

5 Nights/4 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$3,250.00 per person based on double occupancy  
6 Nights/5 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$3,975.00 per person based on double occupancy  
7 Nights/6 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$4,700.00 per person based on double occupancy  
8 Nights/7 Days LCOL R&R/Tour Package is US\$5,450.00 per person based on double occupancy

*LCOL Adventure Tour &/or R&R Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, all meals, soda & drinking water, daily housekeeping, transfer to and from Long Caye, going in the boat with a fishing guest or relaxing on the island, any scheduled water tours, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*LCOL Adventure Tour &/or R&R Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, Fishing packages, equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License, snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

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## SAMPLE PACKAGES AND SAMPLE COMBINATIONS ITINERARIES

The following are four sample combination itineraries. These are good starting points for planning your customized vacation with BRL. We can change tours and fishing days, have more focused birding tour s, and change around BRL and LCOL days, with many other variations. Look at this as the start to getting the vacation of your choice and please email, [fishing@belizeriverlodge](mailto:fishing@belizeriverlodge) for more information.

*Other combination packages available*

### **Possible Trip Itinerary #1: BRL Eco-Adventure Tour Package**

#### **Example Package: 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Eco-Adventure Tour Package**

Night 1	Arrive	
Night 2/Day 1		Tour – Belize City & Altun Ha Maya Site
Night 3/Day 2		Tour – Aerial Trek Canopy Tour & Cave Tubing
Night 4/Day 3		Tour – Lamanai Maya Site & New River
Night 5/Day 4		Tour – Mangrove Cathedrals, Manatee Watch & Miami Beach
Night 6/Day 5		Tour – Best of the West
Night 7/Day 6		Tour – Snorkel the Barrier Reef
Day	Departure	

### ~ Cost per person, based on **Double occupancy**

7 Nights/6 Days Lodge Eco-Adventure Package is US\$4,300.00 per person, based on double occupancy

### ~ Cost per person, based on **Single occupancy (single tour & single room)**

7 Nights/6 Days Lodge Eco-Adventure Package is US\$6,100.00 for a single eco-tourist, single room

*BRL Tour Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*BRL Tour Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)



## **Possible Trip Itinerary #2: Combo BRL Fish and Eco-Adventure Tour**

**Example Package: 7 Nights/6 Day BRL, Fish 4 days and Tour 2 days, Combo Package**

Night 1	Arrive & overnight BRL
Night 2/Day 1	Fish
Night 3/Day 2	Fish
Night 4/Day 3	Tour: Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary & Belize Olde River
Night 5/Day 4	Fish:
Night 6/Day 5	Fish:
Night 7/Day 6	Tour: Best of the West {Belize Zoo, Xunantunich and Cahal Pech}
Day	Departure

### **~ Cost per person, based on double occupancy**

7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,150.00 per person based on double occupancy

### **~ Cost per Single Angler/Eco-Tourist, Single Room (one to guide)**

7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$7,350.00 per single Angler/Eco-Tourist & Single Room

*BRL Fishing & Touring Package Includes:* Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax  
*BRL Fishing & Touring Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## **Possible Trip Itinerary #3: Combo BRL Fish and LCOL Fish**

**Example Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL Fishing Package**

Night 1	Arrive & overnight BRL
Night 2/Day 1	Fish & overnight BRL
Night 3/Day 2	Fish & overnight BRL
Night 4/Day 3	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 5/Day 4	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 6/Day 5	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 7/Day 6	Fish & overnight BRL
Day	Departure

### **~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 People to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 2 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$3,775.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 people to the group

6 Nights/5 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$4,550.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 people to the group

**7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$5,350.00 per person based on double occupancy w/ a total of 4 people to the group**

### **~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 People to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 2 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$3,595.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 people to the group

6 Nights/5 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$4,320.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 people to the group

**7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$5,125.00 per person based on double occupancy w/ a total of 6 people to the group**

## **Combo BRL & LCOL Fishing Packages continued**

### **Example Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL Fishing Package**

**~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of 2 People to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 2 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$4,975.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 2 people to the group

6 Nights/5 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$5,045.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 2 people to the group

**7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days fish from BRL & 3 days fish from LCOL, Fishing Package is US\$5,825.00 per person based on double occupancy w/ a total of 2 people to the group**

*BRL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax *BRL Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

*LCOL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including aox lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*LCOL Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## **Possible Trip Itinerary #4: Combo BRL Eco-Adventure Tour & LCOL Fish**

### **Example Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL Tour and LCOL Fish Package**

Night 1	Arrive & overnight BRL
Night 2/Day 1	Tour: <i>Lamanai &amp; New River</i> and overnight BRL
Night 3/Day 2	Tour: <i>Best of the West</i> and overnight BRL
Night 4/Day 3	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 5/Day 4	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 6/Day 5	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 7/Day 6	Tour: <i>Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary &amp; Belize Olde River</i> & overnight BRL
Day	Departure

**~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 People to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 2 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$3,475.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 people to group

6 Nights/5 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 3 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$4,275.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 people to group

**7 Nights/6 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days Tour from BRL & 3 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$5,075.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 4 people to group**

**~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 People to the Group**

5 Nights/4 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 2 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$3,225.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 people to group

6 Nights/5 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 3 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$3,975.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of 6 people to group

**7 Nights/6 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days Tour from BRL & 3 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$4,725.00 per person based on double occupancy w/ a total of 6 people to group**

## COMBINATION PACKAGE ~ BRL TOUR AND LCOL FISH continued

### ~ Cost per person based on double occupancy with a total of **2 People** to the Group

5 Nights/4 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 2 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$3,775.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of **2 people** to group

6 Nights/5 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 2 days Tour from BRL & 3 days Fish from LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$4,675.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of **2 people** to group

**7 Nights/6 Day Combo BRL/LCOL, 3 days Tour BRL & 3 days Fish LCOL, Combo Tour & Fish Package is US\$5,500.00 per person based on double occupancy w/total of 2 people to group**

*BRL Tour Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax *BRL Tour Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax

*LCOL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax *LCOL Fishing Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

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## 2023 COUPLE & COUPLES PACKAGE ITINERARY

Effective January 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023

Advertised rates include charges for Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

Belize River Lodge offers customized packages for couples. Below are a few options with pricing for one couple or an itinerary based on two couples so in this way there are no single surcharges. With the option of the jungle Lodge on the Belize Olde River, Long Caye Outpost Lodge; fishing and eco-adventure touring, birding tours, there are many options available. Below are three tentative trip itineraries; other tours can be substituted and days can be changed, this is just a basic idea of what is possible.

While the below packages are geared towards couples, they also make great family trips, the cost for children is discounted on all packages. We have hosted families of four where dad fishes with one kiddo and mom and other child tour, snorkel or do activities that interest them. Each family can have their individual vacation planned for them based on their interests. Tours usually start about 8 am and return to the Lodge about 5 pm. Meals for kids can be planned for children with picky appetites.

FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 50% OF COST of BRL PACKAGES ONLY.

FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 25% OF COST of LCOL PACKAGES.

FOR CHILDREN 2 YEARS AND UNDER AT BRL OR LCOL, CONTACT FOR PRICING.

### OPTION #1A: One Couple at Belize River Lodge

One couple will share room, four days fish/tour single, and two days fish/tour double occupancy.

#### Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Package

Night 1	Arrive
Night 2/Day 1	Person #1: Fishes as single angler Person #2: Tours Single - <i>Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary &amp; Belize Olde River</i>
Night 3/Day 2	Person #1: Fishes as single angler Person #2: Tours Single - <i>Aerial Trek Canopy tour &amp; Cave Tubing</i>
Night 4/Day 3	Person #1: Fishes double occupancy as Partner joins in skiff Person #2: Non-Fish day - <i>Joins partner in skiff and guide will add Water tours into day</i>
Night 5/Day 4	Person #1: Fishes as single angler Person #2: Tours Single - <i>Chan Muul Yaax K'aax Museum &amp; Holpatin Trail, shared Room</i>
Night 6/Day 5	Person #1: Fishes as single angler Person #2: Tours Single - <i>Lamanai &amp; New River</i>
Night 7/Day 6	2 People Tour - <i>Best of the West</i>
Day	Depart

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### **OPTION #1A: One Couple at Belize River Lodge continued**

**Price per couple: US\$11,150.00 ~ 1 couple minimum**

**Option #1A: Person #1 Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days {5 days (4 S/S, 1 D/O) fishing and 1 Day Touring} BRL Package is US\$5,950.00 per person, based on double occupancy room

**Option #1A: Person #2 Touring, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days {5 days (4 S/S, 1 D/O) Touring and 1 Day Non-Fish} BRL Package is US\$5,200.00 per person, based on double occupancy room

*BRL Combo Fish & Eco-Tour Package Includes:* Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*BRL Combo Fish & Eco-Tour Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (already included in your airline ticket or paid at Airport, approximately US\$55.50 per person)

### **OPTION #1B: Two Couples at Belize River Lodge**

With 4 people, two fish 5 days and eco-adventure tour 1 day. Two people will eco-adventure tour all 6 days. Below is a possible itinerary.

#### **Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days BRL Package**

Night 1	Arrive
Night 2/Day 1	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - <i>Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary &amp; Belize Olde River</i>
Night 3/Day 2	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - <i>Beach/Caye Day with snorkeling, fish optional</i>
Night 4/Day 3	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - <i>Best of the West (Xunantunich Maya Site, Cahal Pech Maya Site &amp; Belize Zoo)</i>
Night 5/Day 4	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - <i>Beach/Caye Day with snorkeling, Mangrove Cathedrals &amp; Manatee watching</i>
Night 6/Day 5	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - <i>Aerial Trek Canopy tour &amp; Cave Tubing</i>
Night 7/Day 6	4 People Tour - <i>Lamanai &amp; New River</i>
Day	Depart

**Price per couple: US\$10,025.00 ~ 2 couples minimum**

**Option #1B: Price per Person Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 5 Days Fishing & 1 Day Tour, Package is US\$5,150.00 per person, based on double occupancy

**Option #1B: Price per Touring Fishing, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 5 Days Touring & 1 Day Fish, Package is US\$4,875.00 per person, based on double occupancy

*Above BRL Fishing & Touring Package Includes:* Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*Above BRL Fishing & Touring Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week; purchased online at <https://apps.coastalzonebelize.org>), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## OPTION #2A: One Couple at Long Caye Outpost Lodge

Based on 2 Person LCOL Rate with two people sharing the LCOL Guest House

### Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Package

Night 1	Arrive, transfer to LCOL
Night 2/Day 1	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 3/Day 2	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 4/Day 3	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 5/Day 4	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 6/Day 5	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 7/Day 6	Person #1: Fishes LCOL as single angler Person #2: Rest and Relaxes at the Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Day	Depart

**Price per couple: US\$13,250.00~ 1 couple minimum**

**Option #2A: Person #1 Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Fishing Package is US\$7,975.00 for a single angler, shared room

*LCOL Fishing Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax

*LCOL Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person – included in ticket or paid at Airport)

**Option #2A: Person #2 Non-Fishing, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Rest and Relax, Non-Fish Package is US\$5,275.00 going in skiff with angler, shared rooming

*LCOL Non-Fish Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, going in skiff with your fishing partner, relaxing on the island, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*LCOL Non-Fish Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License, snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person – included in ticket or paid at Airport)

## OPTION #2B: Two Couples at Long Caye Outpost Lodge

With 4 people, two people fish 6 days and two people will rest and relax (R&R) on the island, snorkel or island tour all 6 days. Long Caye has a Cornhole game, a volleyball net, croquet and badminton. Tours at Long Caye are snorkel Belize's Barrier Reef, manatee watch & Miami Beach, visiting and shopping on Caye Caulker, birding for shore/sea birds, general fishing and scuba diving (extra cost). Two kayaks are available upon request (before your arrival in Belize). Below is a possible itinerary.

### Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL Package

Night 1	Arrive & Overnight Belize River Lodge
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*Depart in the morning for Long Caye after breakfast. Overnight Long Caye Outpost Lodge, Day 2 thru Day 6.*

Night 2/Day 1	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour
Night 3/Day 2	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour
Night 4/Day 3	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour



### **OPTION #2B: Two Couples at Long Caye Outpost Lodge continued**

Night 5/Day 4	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour
Night 6/Day 5	2 people Fish 2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour
Night 7/Day 6	4 People Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour <i>Return to Belize River Lodge and overnight BRL</i>
Day	Depart

**Price per couple: US\$ \$9,895.00 ~ 2 couples minimum**

**Option #2B: Price per Person Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL, 5 Days Fishing & 1 Day Tour, Package is US\$5,200.00 per person, based on double occupancy total of 4 people to the group

**Option #2B: Price per Touring Fishing, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days LCOL, 5 Days R&R/Non-Fishing & 1 Day Fish, Package is US\$4,695.00 per person, based on double occupancy, total of 4 to group

*LCOL Fish & Tour Package Includes:* Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, any scheduled water tours, relaxing on the island, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax.

*LCOL Fish & Tour Package Does Not Include:* Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

### **OPTION #3A: 1 Couple for a BRL and LCOL Combo**

Pricing based on 2 Person LCOL with two people sharing the LCOL Guest House and double occupancy room rate at BRL.

#### **Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL and LCOL Package**

Night 1	Arrive & Overnight BRL
<i>Depart in the morning for Long Caye after breakfast. Overnight Long Caye Outpost Lodge, Day 1 thru Day 3.</i>	
Night 2/Day 1	Person #1: Fishes Person #2: Non-Fish - Rest and Relaxes at Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 3/Day 2	Person #1: Fishes Person #2: Non-Fish - Rest and Relaxes at Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
Night 4/Day 3	Person #1: Fishes Person #2: Non-Fish - Rest and Relaxes at Outpost or goes in skiff with angler
<i>Guest will transfer back to BRL on Day 4 in the morning after an early breakfast.</i>	
Night 5/Day 4	Person #1: Fishes as a single Person #2: Tours Single - Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary & Belize Olde River
Night 6/Day 5	Person #1: Fishes as a single Person #2: Tours Single - Best of the West (Xunantunich, Cahal Pech & Belize Zoo)
Night 7/Day 6	Person #1 and Person #2 - Lamanai & New River
Day	Depart

**Price per couple: US\$12,850.00 ~ 1 couple minimum**

**Option #3A: Person #1 Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL Fish and Tour Package is US\$7,125.00 for a single angler, double occupancy tour, shared room

**Option #3B: Person #2 Touring, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL/LCOL Non-Fish and Tour Package is US\$5,725.00 for a single eco-tourist, double occupancy day in skiff, shared room **Inclusions/Exclusion on following Page**



**BRL Fishing & Touring Package Includes:** Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax  
**BRL Fishing & Touring Package Does Not Include:** Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week) snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax

**LCOL Fish & Tour Package Includes:** Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, any scheduled water tours, relaxing on the island, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax  
**LCOL Fish & Tour Package Does Not Include:** Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

## OPTION #3B: 2 Couples for a BRL and LCOL Combo

With 4 people, a fun filled vacation is planned at both the jungle Lodge and Island Outpost Lodge. Two people will fish 5 days and eco-adventure tour 1 day. Two people will R&R and/or eco-adventure tour all 6 days.

### Trip: 7 Nights/6 Days Combo BRL and LCOL Package

Night 1 Arrive & Overnight BRL

*Depart in the morning for Long Caye after breakfast. Overnight Long Caye Outpost Lodge, Day 1 thru Day 3.*

Night 2/Day 1 2 people Fish  
2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour

Night 3/Day 2 2 people Fish  
2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour

Night 4/Day 3 2 people Fish  
2 people Tour - R&R, Snorkel or Island Tour

*Anglers will fish their way back to BRL. Eco-adventurers will return to BRL early, to make their 8:30 am tour.*

Night 5/Day 4 2 people Fish  
2 people Tour - Altun Ha Maya Site, Baboon Sanctuary & Belize Olde River

Night 6/Day 5 2 people Fish  
2 people Tour - Best of the West (Xunantunich Maya Site, Cahal Pech Maya Site & Belize Zoo)

Night 7/Day 6 4 People Tour - Lamanai & The New River

Day Depart

**Price per couple: US\$9,700.00 ~ 2 couples minimum**

**Option #3B: Price per Person Fishing, mainly:** 7 Nights/6 Days BRL/LCOL Combo, 1 Day Fish/1 Day Eco-Tour from BRL & 3 Days Fishing from LCOL, Package is US\$5,200.00 per person based on double occupancy, total of 4 people to group

**Option #3B: Price per Touring Fishing, mostly:** 7 Nights/6 Days BRL/LCOL Combo, 3 Days Eco-Tour from BRL & 1 Day Fish & 2 Days R&R/Non-Fishing from LCOL, Package is US\$4,500.00 per person based on double occupancy, total of 4 people to the group

**BRL Fishing & Touring Package Includes:** Round trip airport (Bze) transfers in Belize, accommodations, air conditioning in rooms, hair dryers, toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, lotion & soap), daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, skiff & fuel, guided eco-tours, transportation to & from tour site & entrance fees, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax  
**BRL Fishing & Touring Package Does Not Include:** Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week) snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax

**LCOL Fish & Tour Package Includes:** Round trip airport (BZE) transfers in Belize, accommodations, daily housekeeping, all meals - including a box lunch, soda & drinking water, guided fishing, any scheduled water tours, relaxing on the island, skiff & fuel, transfer to and from Long Caye, Belize Taxes of 9% Hotel Tax & 12.5% GST tax  
**LCOL Fish & Tour Package Does Not Include:** Airfare to & from Belize, fishing equipment & tackle, Belize Fishing License (US\$25.00 per angler, per week), snorkel equipment, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax (approximately US\$55.50 per person: already included in the cost of your airline ticket or paid at Airport)

**Smaller packages with less days are available.**

**Other possible tours available. Pricing may change depending on tours changed from above package..**

**Reminder:** All of the combination packages can be enjoyed as is, or you can change according to your and your group's likes and interests.

## RESERVATION INFORMATION

**Reservations:** We suggest that you book your trip in advance. A per person deposit is required: 50% of package price, to be paid within 21 days after reservation has been made, in order to secure reservation. Late bookings are readily accepted depending on space and guide availability. In cases where a booking is made & the time is less than 90 days, full payment is needed at time of booking in order to secure reservation. Deposits can be paid by wire transfer, Mastercard or Visa.

**Cancellations:** Deposits are refundable only if written cancellation is received at the Lodge 120 days prior to guest's arrival. Less than 120 days, deposits will be refunded only if a replacement can be found. Cancellations must be in writing to the Lodge. Please note that there is a \$100.00 per person processing fee per person on all cancellations.

**Final Payment:** Due at the Lodge 90 days prior to guest's arrival in Belize.

**Holiday Surcharges:** Add 15% to package chosen, when the trip commences or terminates on or during the following dates: December 25 to December 27 AND January 1 to January 3 yearly.

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FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 50% OF COST OF BRL PACKAGES ONLY.

FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 25% OF COST OF LCOL PACKAGES.

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"If I should die, Before I finish my list,  
Please understand, It was my only wish,  
To enjoy the journey, And catch some  
fish."

~ Dan L

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