

BELIZE RIVER LODGE

A Flats Fishing & Eco-Adventure Tour Destination

Eco-Adventure Touring ~ The Best of Belize!

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INTRODUCTION

Belize River Lodge (BRL) 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 and in 2011 Long Caye Outpost Lodge (LCOL) was opened. 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/R&R'ing at the Long Caye Outpost Lodge. In addition to fishing, we also offer custom eco-tour packages for single day trips up to week-long tour packages. Combination fishing and touring 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.

VISITING 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. 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.

Our localized setting makes BRL ideal for visiting a wide area of Belize. The Barrier Reef is an approximate 45-minute boat run from the main Lodge, so snorkeling and a caye/beach always a relaxing way to spend a day. Being on the mainland, getting to many of the Maya temples, cave/cave tubing or zip lining are easy day trip. Let us know which of our tours are of interest to you and we will customize your package to your likes.

CUSTOMIZED TOURS – HALF DAY &/OR FULL DAY

Belize River Lodge provides vacation packages to the eco-adventure tourists and to anglers who would like to visit Belize's many wonderful sites. BRL 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.

WHAT TO BRING - Loose fitting, light weight, tropical type clothing; outdoor or tennis shoes, a good sun hat, sunscreen, bug spray, daypack, camera, and binoculars. Full list under "trip checklist".

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. 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.

THE BELIZE ZOO: This is the home to approximately 100 species of our native Belizean animals. Animals live in a natural habitat at the zoo, 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 bank 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.

"Our week stay at Belize River Lodge met all our expectations; it was enjoyed by all members of our family. We especially appreciated the pre-trip planning assistance, the gracious atmosphere of the lodge, and the owner's love and knowledge of Belize that informed our excursions. Our daily explorations were delightful, with each day bringing a new adventure customized to our needs and interests. We loved every activity we did and would highly recommend Belize River Lodge as a base site for diverse eco and adventure touring."

~The Gunther Family

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)**

{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.* **(Requested Favorite of Guests)**

{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 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.

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, 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 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)

{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.

FULL DAY TOURS CONTINUED

CERROS Maya site & CUELLO continued

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} 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} 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} 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)

FULL DAY TOURS CONTINUED

{*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*} **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 Astro turf 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.

{*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 days' 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.

{*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*} **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.)

FULL DAY TOURS CONTINUED

{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 require 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 vantage 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.)

{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.

{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.*)

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 45-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.

TRIP PLANNING CHECKLIST

Below is an itemized list to help prepare for your trip to Belize River Lodge. It is a very good general list and should help with packing; however, please note, that depending on your schedule, all items may not be needed. Also, before traveling, you should check for any changes in flight restrictions. The following are a few websites to read before traveling.

Transportation Security Adm: <http://www.tsa.gov/travelers/airtravel/prohibited/permitted-prohibited-items.shtm>

AirSafe.com: <http://www.airsafe.com/danger.htm>

The Travel Insider: <http://www.thetravelinsider.info/travelaccessories/airlinecheckedluggageallowances.htm>

	PERSONAL ITEMS		TOURING / BIRDING
	Itinerary & Phone Contacts		Binoculars
	Airline Tickets		Book – Birds of Belize
	Passport (Valid for 6 months after travel)		Field guides & reference materials
	Travel Insurance (see Info to Note)		Reusable water bottle
	Wallet with credit cards, cash, checkbook &		Wash n' Dry pre-moistened towelettes
	Wristwatch		Boat Bag (waterproof)
	Eye Glasses/Contacts		Polarized Glasses (Amber)
	Notebook/Reading Material		Boat Shoes/Socks
	Pen		Sunglass straps/Croakies
	Sewing Kit		Lens Cloth
	Personal Toiletries or Cosmetics		
	Medications (Always bring in carry on luggage)		

	<i>PERSONAL ITEMS continued</i>			SNORKEL GEAR
	First Aid Kit			Snorkel
	Sunscreen (30 SPF or higher)			Fins
	Lip Balm (SPF 30 or higher)			Fin booties
	Aloe/After sun lotion			Mask
	Cortaid for Bites			
	Insect Repellent (DEET/ Avon s Skin So Soft)			PHOTOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT
	Flashlight & Extra Batteries			Camera
	Pocket Knife or Leatherman Tool			Video Camera
	Sunglasses			Lenses
				Film & Tapes
				Batteries
	CLOTHING			Lense Cleaner
	Wide Brimmed Hat			Waterproof Case
	Light Weight Shirts (Short & Long Sleeved)			
	Light Weight Pants & Shorts			OPTIONAL ITEMS
	T-Shirts			Travel Alarm Clock
	Underwear			Travel Guide Book
	Bandana			Cash in small denominations (misc purchases)
	Buff			Small boat towel
	Shoes/Sneakers			Zip Lock Baggies (Large & Small)
	Socks			2-into-3 prong electrical plug converters
	Sandals			Photocopy of credit cards location
	Rain Gear (can rain any day of the year, so good to have)			Photocopy of Passport (Copies of first two pages)
	Wind Breaker or sweatshirt			Insurance certificates
	Sun Gloves			Address and telephone number of whom to
	Swimsuit			
	Lightweight Hiking Shoes			
	Wading shoes/boots (optional)			
	NOTE AREA			
Not all items are needed, but this is a good list to help when packing.				

INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL

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>

INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL CONTINUED

Travel Arrangements: Belize is getting easier to fly to than ever; all flights to Belize land at the Philip Goldson International Airport (PGIA) in Ladyville, airport code is **BZE**. 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. Airlines and schedules change and can be seasonal.

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

American Airlines: Dallas (DFW), TX; Los Angeles (LAX), CA; and Miami (MIA), FL

Copa: Panama City (PTY), Panama

Delta: Atlanta (ATL), GA; Minneapolis (MSP), MN

Frontier Airlines: Denver (DEN), CO and Orlando (MCO), FL

Southwest: Denver (DEN), CO and Houston (HOU), TX;

TAG Airlines: Guatemala City (GUA), Guatemala

Tropic Air: Cancun (CUN), Mexico; Flores (FRS), Guatemala; Guatemala City (GUA), Guatemala ; Roatán (RTB), Honduras and San Salvador (SAL), El Salvador

United: Denver (DEN), CO; Houston (IAH), TX; Los Angeles (LAX), CA; Newark (EWR), NJ

WestJet: Toronto (YYZ), Canada (Service to Belize City ends on Sat Apr 30 2022 and resumes on Tue Nov 1 2022.)

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. For more details, please check the following website: www.travelbelize.org/private_airplanes.html

Belize Departure Tax: This is mostly included in your ticket price, unless mileage or another program is used. There is a fee of US\$55.75 for the Belize Departure Tax & Airport Security Fees that must be paid at the airport upon leaving Belize. If not included in your ticket, this must be paid at the airport in US Dollars before departing Belize.

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.

Carry-on Baggage: Most anglers like to carry on their rods, reels and fishing equipment. Carry-on regulations are not set in stone and depend on the airport that you are traveling from. The most up-to-date information on security procedures can be found on the web at <https://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/prohibited-items>. While not specific, it is a good guideline; however, it does state the following:

Medications – any medicines prescribed by a doctor and taken daily should be packed in carry-on.

Currency: The Belizean dollar is worth half of a U.S. dollar. Dollars are accepted everywhere, but change will be given in Belizean dollars. For your convenience, please bring small bills to cover small expenses, such as Departure Tax, fishing license, bar bill, & incidentals.

Gratuities/Tipping: BRL does not include a service charge or gratuities on your bill. Gratuities are appreciated by our staff who work hard to make your stay enjoyable and memorable. Please tip your guide on your last day of activity and the staff on your departure day. Tipping is a personal thing based on service. Please plan on tipping in cash for both guides and lodge staff. If help is needed, please ask the Lodge manager for guidelines.

INFORMATION TO NOTE: GENERAL CONTINUED

Natural Pests: Due to the tropical climate of Belize, it is very likely that you will encounter natural pests. Belize River Lodge is a jungle lodge so the possibility of seeing lizards, geckos, iguana, frogs and spiders are common and are harmless. They all help to eliminate unwanted pests. If you encounter a scorpion or a snake, don't panic! Usually they are more afraid of you and are trying to get away. Let us know if you need help removing them from wherever you are.

Mosquitos: We try to protect the environment and we minimize the use of sprays and insecticides, as they also harm birds and butterflies. Mosquitos and No-seeums (sandfly's) can be pesky, especially around sun-up and sun-down, and are the worst you will encounter. Mosquito repellent is a good deterrent and light weight long pants with socks and light weight long sleeve shirts also help to keep them from biting you.

Photos: All of our promotional material, brochures, magazine ads, website, dvd, flyers etc are guest photos. If you have any pictures from your trip that you would like to share and don't mind us using your photos, please let us know. We can download the pictures to our computer before you leave the Lodge. We appreciate all pictures of all fish, flora, fauna or anything that you find interesting.

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, diabetes, Celiac disease, etc or special requests), so that we can prepare your meals to your needs. However, the main Lodge is near supplies, so we can usually accommodate requests quickly. When checking in, we double check with you on dietary requirements and if we somehow missed yours, 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 need before your arrival in Belize if you are staying on Long Caye.

BRL's kitchen can handle an assortment of dietary restrictions and have a menu planned for your requirements. Please let us know if you need a diet to take into account:

Diabetes High Cholesterol Celiac Disease Vegetarian

Other Notes on other: _____

If you do not eat on of the below foods, due to allergies, dietary needs to just plain dislike, please let us know ahead of time so that we can plan your menu accordingly. (** Alternative)

<input type="checkbox"/> Milk	<input type="checkbox"/> Pasta, white flour	<input type="checkbox"/> Pickles
<input type="checkbox"/> Eggs	<input type="checkbox"/> White Rice (** brown rice)	<input type="checkbox"/> Relish
<input type="checkbox"/> Eggs cooked in breads	<input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes (** sweet potato)	<input type="checkbox"/> Beef
<input type="checkbox"/> Milk cooked in breads	<input type="checkbox"/> White bread (** wheat)	<input type="checkbox"/> Pork
<input type="checkbox"/> Butter	<input type="checkbox"/> Onions (raw) or (cooked)	<input type="checkbox"/> Chicken
<input type="checkbox"/> Cheese	<input type="checkbox"/> Mayonnaise	<input type="checkbox"/> Fish
<input type="checkbox"/> Sugar, white	<input type="checkbox"/> Mustard	<input type="checkbox"/> Shellfish - shrimp, lobster, conch, etc
<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

Available upon request: Soy &/or Almond milk, bran cereal.

** Notes substitutions.

Continental breakfasts at the Lodge: Available upon request or if needed due to early departure for a tour, a continental breakfast will be served.

Drinking water and Ice: All drinking water and ice is purified bottled water and purified ice. We purchase ahead of time, water in 5 gallons and ice in 2 lb bags. Please be conscious to securely close ice coolers while in skiffs.

INFORMATION TO NOTE ~ GENERAL CONTINUED

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 on 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.

INFORMATION TO NOTE ~ BELIZE RIVER LODGE

Liquor at the Lodge: BRL has a small self-service; honor system bar and guest sign a tab for drinks. We have open bottles of alcohol (a Belize rum, a vodka, a gin, a whiskey, & a tequila) at the bar for you to mix drinks in the evening. We also have alcohol & wine for sale by the bottle. Please check with the office to see what is available by the bottle or let us know if you have a special request.

You may bring your own alcoholic beverages. When entering Belize, after Immigration and before luggage retrieval, there is a "Duty Free". This is an easy place to pick up your liquor and tobacco. If purchased at the duty free in Belize, visitors are allowed 4 liters of alcohol duty free each.

Telephone: To receive calls while at the Lodge, BRL's phone number dialed direct from the USA is 011-501-225-2002 or 01-501-225-2459. You have to be in the main Lodge building to receive calls.

If you will be using your US cel phone in Belize, you will need to call your service provider while in the USA (country of origin) and have your service provider open it up for International calling and Belize in general. Your US cel should work around the Lodge with no problems.

Internet services: The main Lodge porch, living room and all guest room building have free WiFi. Please ask the office for the password. If you have brought your laptop, please feel free to use our free wireless service. This is minimal access for e-mail only, no big downloads, please!

Long Caye Outpost Lodge does not have phone or internet services.

Electricity and electrical outlets: BRL gets electricity from Belize Electricity Limited and is 24 hours a day. Belize is on the same electrical system as the USA (110 volts, 60 cycles), so if coming for N. American, no special outlet plugs are needed. Each room has a *3000W 13A 16AWG 10 Outlet Plugs with 4 USB Slot Surge Protector Electric Charging Station*. Some of BRL's outlets are two prong, so you may want to bring a two-into-three prong electrical plug converters. If you have a lot of camera equipment, etc, you may want to bring a small power strip to handle your electronics in one area of your room.

Music: The main Lodge and Long Caye Outpost Lodge both have a cd/ipod players if you would like to enjoy music in the evenings or during dinner. If you don't see it, just check with us.

TV at BRL: On the main Lodge porch, we have a TV. While the main focus of the Lodge is not TV, we know that there are important sports games throughout the year and it can also be used to see video footage of fish landed during the day.

Cigars: The Caribbean is known for some of the finest cigars in the world. Since re-opening in 2021, it is easiest to get Cuban cigars at the airport. When entering Belize, after Immigration and before luggage retrieval, there is a "Duty Free". This is an easy place to pick up your liquor and tobacco.

INFORMATION TO NOTE ~ BELIZE RIVER LODGE CONTINUED

Hairdresser: Ladies, while Belize River Lodge does not have a cosmetologist on site, we can make arrangements for you to go into Belize City for a hair or nail refresher. 24-hour notice is required on this service and based upon availability of the cosmetologist. Not available on Sundays and Mondays.

Massages: Massages are available at the Lodge and can be arranged; so plan to unwind and treat yourself to a relaxing and therapeutic massage! 24-hour notice is required for this service. Massages are available only if a masseuse is available. Price is based per 1 hour.

Transportation to Belize City: If you would like to visit the casino or see a little of Belize City, taxi service is available. Cost for one or two people is approximately US\$35.00 one way into Belize City or US\$70.00 round trip. The driver will stay with you on your excursion for an additional US\$15.00 per hour. Other destinations are different costs and driver is paid direct at the end of your trip.

Trip Feedback: We do not always get in touch with you after a trip, this is not because we do not care about your thoughts on what could have made your trip better, it is because we are giving the guest at the Lodge the same personalized attention that you received. Please contact us with feedback so that we can continue to make the Lodge better and we always appreciate hearing when you just enjoyed your trip. We also appreciate *any pictures* that you would like to share with us, so that we can post on the BRL Facebook page, BRL website or use in one of upcoming brochures.

2024 PACKAGES

Belize River Lodge offers packages at BRL, LCOL, rest and relaxing, fishing, non-fishing, eco- adventure touring and combinations of it all. If you do not see a package that you need, please e-mail at fishing@belizeriverlodge.com and we will get the price to you. Please look at the below packages as a starting point to planning your customized vacation with Belize River Lodge.

Belize River Lodge = BRL
Long Caye Outpost Lodge = LCOL

BRL ECO-ADVENTURE TOUR PACKAGES

Effective January 1, 2023- December 31, 2024

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

HALF DAY TOURS

Price: *Upon request*

Snorkel the Barrier Reef; Belize Olde River; Altun Ha Maya site; Belize City; Belize Zoo; etc

BRL Eco-ADVENTURE TOUR & BIRDING PACKAGES

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

3 Nights/2 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$1,625.00 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

BRL Eco-ADVENTURE TOUR & BIRDING PACKAGES

~ **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, single guide

5 Nights/4 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$4,150.00 per person based on single eco-tourist, single guide

6 Nights/5 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$5,200.00 per person based on single eco-tourist, single guide

7 Nights/6 Days BRL Tour Package is US\$6,100.00 per person based on single eco-tourist, single guide

BRL Tour Package Include: 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 Do Not Include: Airfare to & from Belize, alcoholic beverages, tips to guides and staff, Belize Departure Tax

Below is a sample package of a **7 Night/6 Day BRL Eco-adventure Tour Package**. Please look at this as a starting point and this package can be customized to your interests.

Sample Trip: 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 BRL Eco-Adventure Package is US\$4,300.00 per person based on double occupancy

Cost per Single Eco-Tourist, Single Room

7 Nights/6 Days BRL Eco-Adventure Package is US\$6,100.00 per single person

BRL Tour Package Include: 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 Do 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)

Other eco-tour packages of more or less days are available.

D/O - Based on double occupancy

S/S – Based on single Angler/Eco-Tourist & Single Room

BRL FISHING & ECO-TOUR COMBINATION PACKAGES

Effective January 1, 2023- December 22, 2023

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

Cost per person, based on double occupancy

- 3 Nights/2 Days BRL, 1 Day Fish & 1 Day Tour, Combo Package is US\$1,825.00 per person, D/O
- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 1 Day Tour, Combo Package is US\$2,700.00 per person, D/O
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$3,550.00 per person, D/O
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL, 3 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$4,375.00 per person, D/O
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,150.00 per person, D/O
- 8 Nights/7 Days BRL, 5 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,925.00 per person, D/O

Cost per Single Eco-Tourist, Single Room

- 4 Nights/3 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 1 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$3,950.00 per S/S
- 5 Nights/4 Days BRL, 2 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$5,100.00 per S/S
- 6 Nights/5 Days BRL, 3 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$6,300.00 per S/S
- 7 Nights/6 Days BRL, 4 Days Fish & 2 Days Tour, Combo Package is US\$7,350.00 per S/S

Below is a sample package of a **7 Night/6 Day BRL Combo Fish & Eco-adventure Tour Package**. This is a starting point and this package can be customized to your interests.

Sample Trip: 7 Night/6 Day BRL Combo Fish & Eco-adventure Tour Package

Night 1	Arrive
Night 2/Day 1	Fish
Night 3/Day 2	Fish
Night 4/Day 3	Tour - Best of the West: Belize Zoo, Xunantunich Maya Site & Cahal Pech Maya Site
Night 5/Day 4	Fish
Night 6/Day 5	Fish
Night 7/Day 6	Tour - Lamanai Maya Site & The New River
Day	Depart

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Note: Most fishing days can be combined with snorkeling, manatee watching, swimming in the Caribbean Sea, a ride up the Belize Olde River or any other water tour, thereby making a fun day for anglers and non-angling partners.

Cost per person, based on *double occupancy*

7 Nights/6 Days BRL Combo Fish & Eco-adventure Tour Package is US\$5,150.00.00 per person, D/O

Cost per *Single Eco-Tourist, Single Room*

7 Nights/6 Days BRL Combo Fish & Eco-adventure Tour Package is US\$7,350.00 per S/S

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)

2023 POSSIBLE COMBO ITINERARIES

Below are two sample combination itineraries. Both are good starting points for planning your customized vacation with BRL. We can change tours and fishing days, BRL and LCOL days, and many other variations. Please email, fishing@belizeriverlodge for more information.

Other packages and combinations 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
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Possible Trip Itinerary #1 Pricing

Cost per person, based on *Double occupancy*

7 Nights/6 Days Lodge Eco-Adventure Package is US\$4,300.00 per person, D/O

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

7 Nights/6 Days Lodge Eco-Adventure Package is US\$6,100.00 per S/S

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

Possible Trip Itinerary #2: *Combo BRL & LCOL: Eco-Tour & Fish*

Example Package: 7 Nights/6 Day Combo BRL & LCOL, Tour 3 days from BRL & Fish 3 days from LCOL, Tour & Fish Combo Package

Night 1	Arrive overnight at BRL
Night 2/Day 1	Tour – Best of the West & overnight at BRL
Night 3/Day 2	Fish & overnight LCOL
Night 4/Day 3	Tour - Manatee Watch/Snorkel & overnight LCOL
Night 5/Day 4	Fish & overnight Long LCOL
Night 6/Day 5	Fish & overnight BRL
Night 7/Day 6	Tour – Lamanai & New River & overnight at BRL

Day	Departure
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Possible Trip Itinerary #2: Pricing

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

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

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

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

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

7 Nights/6 Day Combo BRL & LCOL, **Tour 3 days from BRL and Fish 3 days from LCOL**, Combo Fish and Tour Package is US\$4,995.00 per person based on double occupancy with a total of **2 people** to the group

Other packages available. Other combination packages available

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

Other packages available. Other combination packages available

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. Deposits can be paid by check, Mastercard or Visa. 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.

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.

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

FOR NON FISHING / R&R'ing, PLEASE CONTACT US FOR PACKAGE RATE

FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 50% OF COST OF BELIZE RIVER LODGE PACKAGES ONLY

FOR CHILDREN 12 YEARS AND UNDER, LESS 25% OF COST OF LONG CAYE OUTPOST LODGE PACKAGES

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

Credit cards: Mastercard & Visa Only

Belize River Lodge is a member of Belize Tourism Industry Association (BTIA); Belize National Tour Operators Association (BNTOA); Belize Audubon Society (BAS). BRL guides are a members of National Association of Specialty and Interpretive Guides (NASIG). BRL Management is presently involved in BAS and various environmental and tourism committees. Belize River Lodge's team actively advocates for the best balance between tourism and the environment.

For information on BRL, LCOL & to reserve dates, please contact us via:

Physical address: 3.5 Miles Belize Olde River * Ladyville, Belize

Mailing address: P.O. Box 459 * Belize City, Belize * Central America

Call BRL direct: 011-501-225-2002 / 011-501-225-2459 * BRL Whatsapp: 011-501-663-2759

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