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Belize 2024 Itinerary



From Rainforest Eco-Lodge to Island Adventure Basecamp on the white sand Cayes of Glover's Atoll

January 7 - 14, 2024

Activities

Besides Sea Kayaking & snorkeling, you will also have the opportunity to do some Stand Up Paddleboarding, and of course, simply relaxing. Throughout the trip there will be plenty of beauty to capture through the lens of your camera from the incredible birdlife to the diverse fauna of the rainforest and jungle and the marine life both above and below the crystal clear Caribbean sea. You'll learn about the natural history of Belize, the Maya and Garifuna culture, Rainforest ecology and wildlife and plenty more. (Anyone interested in scuba diving will have the opportunity to do so for an additional cost).

Accommodations

All accommodations provide fresh showers, singles or double beds, and washroom. They all vary somewhat but you can be sure that they will be comfortable, clean, and reflect Belizean culture and style

Bocawina Rainforest Resort is an off-the-grid jungle lodge eco-resort in the southern Maya Mountains. Situated within 7000-acre Mayflower Bocawina National Park and adjacent to the world famous 10000-acre Cockscomb Basin Jaguar Reserve, our location is superb for adventure. You can choose to journey through the rainforest canopy on Central America's longest zipline and hike along bush trails to waterfalls and un-excavated Mayan ruins. Or for a quieter thrill, you can opt for hiking, waterfalls, and flora and fauna focused experiences.

Halfmoon Caye, Lighthouse Atoll is a protected marine park located 50 miles off the coast of Belize. With its empty white sandy beaches stretching for miles, its untouched coral reefs, and its exceptionally clear waters supporting abundant colorful fish, it is no surprise that this idyllic island was voted the most beautiful Caye in Belize in 2019. Our days here in one of the richest marine environments in the Caribbean Sea will provide plenty of an opportunities to kayak, paddle board, snorkel, and beachcomb as you explore the turquoise lagoons and thriving coral reefs. Its remoteness and distance from the mainland, provide the opportunity to observe a star-filled sky like few have seen. Our Basecamp provides comfortable wall tents complete with a wooden floor, a wood framed bed with a 6" foam mattress, linens, and plenty of headroom. The delectable cuisine of fresh seafood, tropical fruit and local favorites are served and

enjoyed in the dining pavilion. Enjoy a flexible daily schedule on the reef, with activity choices geared to all interests and abilities.

Belize Biltmore Hotel, a clean and comfortable hotel on the outskirts of Belize City with a lush courtyard and welcoming swimming pool, on-site restaurant, and just a short taxi ride to the airport.

Typical Daily Itinerary

Day 1 (Jan. 7): Arrive at the Belize International Airport where you are met by an H2Outfitter's representative and transferred by domestic flight to Bocawina Resort. After settling in enjoy your first Belizean dinner, and then start your adventure embarking on a guided Rainforest Night Hike, giving you a new and exciting perspective on the surrounding jungle.

Accommodation: Bocawina Resort Meals: Dinner is included

Day 2-3 (Jan. 8, 9): The rainforests of the Maya Mountains are a stunning backdrop for two days of incomparable adventure. This is your home now, we'll take care of your every need! Stepping out your front door you have a kaleidoscope of adventures awaiting within what feels like our private 7000 acre National Park. We'll hike to the top of Antelope Falls and take in majestic views of pristine rainforest stretching to the Caribbean Sea; zipline through the jungle canopy, rappel down a waterfall, visit a Xunantunich Ruins and head underground floating through the Jaguar Caves using flat tubes, We return to Bocawina for sunset, happy hour, and a delicious dinner Accommodation: Bocawina Rainforest Resort Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4 (Jan. 10): We depart early in the morning and drive the scenic Coastal Plains Highway to Belize City. Here you board a charter boat to our private basecamp on Halfmoon Caye. Our route takes you along numerous white sand, partially submerged, mangrove cayes until you cross Belize's Barrier Reef. From here, you'll enter the narrow passages within the Turneffe Islands before crossing the blue water towards Lighthouse Atoll. Upon reaching the Half Moon Caye Basecamp, our guide team will orient you to your new setting and accommodations. Once settled in, you'll have the opportunity to get fitted to a sea kayak, get on the water and practice some basic safety techniques for paddling in the area, as well as receive pointers from our local guides on snorkeling and general safety on the sea. **Accommodation**: Half Moon Basecamp **Meals**: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Days 5 - 7 (Jan. 11, 12, 13): Early risers may want to go for a swim, beach comb - or just grab a coffee and watch the tropical sunrise. After a healthy Belizean breakfast everyone gathers to plan the day's activities. The waters of Lighthouse Reef Atoll are exceptionally clear with a fabulously rich reef system, which offers some of the best kayaking, snorkeling, and diving in the Caribbean. Throughout your stay, you'll have the opportunity to try a variety of activities as you explore this remote and magical part of Belize. Snorkeling at the 'Aquarium' is a favorite guest activity. The Aquarium has a profusion of tropical fish and towering coral formations, and is an unforgettable underwater experience. You'll also be taken on a snorkeling excursion to the renowned Blue Hole, an underwater cave and sinkhole in the middle of the Lighthouse lagoon. This location was made famous by the legendary explorer Jacques Cousteau. In the mornings and evenings, a favorite guest activity is to walk to the red-footed booby colony to watch nesting boobies come in from the sea to feed their chicks.

Accommodation: Half Moon Basecamp Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 8 (Jan. 14): For your last day at Lighthouse Reef, choose from a variety of activities. Don a mask, snorkel, and fins and swim to a favorite patch reef. circumnavigate Half Moon Caye by kayak or explore by Stand-Up Paddleboard. Walk the trails, beach-comb along the island beaches or simply sit still and relax.. Our water taxi usually arrives later in the afternoon to take everyone back to the mainland. The evening will be spent at a comfortable Belize Biltmore Hotel. B,L D

Day 9 (Jan. 15) Depart to the U.S. Meals: Guests are responsible for their own meals.

Please note all itineraries are subject to change depending on weather or safety considerations Flexibility as our guest and as an international traveler is the key to an awesome experience

Price: \$3950 per person; singles add \$500

Price includes all transportation once you arrive in Belize, accommodations for 8 nights, all meals noted on itinerary, sea kayaking and other activities listed on the itinerary, leadership, on-water safety and instruction with H2Outfitter's lead guide, park fees.