

# **BELIZE TOURS: BELIZE ADVENTURE**

# 8 Day - 7 Night Eco-Adventure Program featuring Belize City - Maya Caves - Cave Tubing - Jungle Walks - Ziplining - Xunantunich - Snorkeling - Ambergris Caye - Hol Chan Marine Reserve - Shark Ray Alley and much more...

Prices begin from \$2699.00 Per Person in Double Accommodations. Includes Land Arrangements and Domestic Airfare. Does not include International Airfare to and from Belize City. Please ask for our Airline Specials, too!

Note: Per Person Price is based on First Class Accommodations. Moderate and Standard Category Accommodations are also available at reduced rates!

## Departures: Thursday, Saturday and Sunday

#### Day 1 Home City - Belize City

Meet and Greet upon arrival to Belize International Airport, and Transfer to **Radisson Fort George Hotel** for overnight. Balance of day free to relax, shop and explore the colorful streets and markets at your doorstep.

# Day 2 Speedboat Tour and Rainforest ATV

Breakfast at your hotel. Hotel checkout and Transfer to Hotel's Marina and board a 4-person customized speedboat and cruise via inland waterways to Northern lagoon. En route you will spot crocodiles, observe nestling birds on "Bird Caye" and then on to glimpse the gentle Manatee in their natural breeding grounds. Upon arrival to Northern Lagoon, enjoy a picnic lunch and leisure time on the beaches of Northern Lagoon. Following Lunch, return via inland waterways to Belize City to board your tour bus for scenic 40 minute drive via the Western Highway to Peccary Park Adventure Center in Gracie Rock Village. Upon arrival your experienced guides will brief you on safety procedures, outline the route to be taken and issue protective helmets. It is now time to explore the jungles of Belize on trails laid out over 100 vears ago by loggers in search of precious Mahogany trees. The trails are a good mix of challenging terrains leading to your first stop of the day, the Maya Caves. Here you explore caves once used by the Maya thousands of years ago. To the Maya caves were sacred places where important ceremonies were conducted to appease the Gods of the Underworld. As you explore these marvelous caves be sure to look for ancient ceramic pots forgotten by time. Then loop back to home base via jungle trails to board your tour bus for restful 45minute drive to Jaguar Paw Resort for enchanting two-night stay. B, L

## Day 3 Cave Tubing and Jungle Walk

Today's adventure features cave tubing on the Caves Branch River and jungle nature walk through the rainforest. Be prepared for a one-hour jungle-hike to the entrance of tunnel that heads into the underground cave system and the start of your "eye opening" adventure. Your guide hands out flashlights, and you are ready to float in inflated inner tubes assisted by gentle currents taking you through several miles of cave system. Intricate crystalline formations line the caves, stalagmites and stalactites add to the serene opulence of nature. At



the end, whet your appetite with freshly prepared Rice and beans and Savory Chicken feast at the Resort. After lunch, continue to explore the exuberant rainforest as your guide points out the various plants, roots and herbs used by the ancient Maya. B, L

## Day 4 Aerial Trek "Zipline" and Xunantunich

Begin your Rainforest Zipline adventure at Jaguar Paw Resort. The zipline tour features an intricate harness system of pulleys on horizontal traverse cables, supervised by experienced guides, which allows participants to swing 100 - 240 feet between platforms 70 feet high among the treetops. The tour starts with a 10-minute hike through the rainforest to the starting platform up in the canopy of the forest for an exhilirating hour of "flying" with the birds - a truly unforgettable experience. Following luch continue via the Western Highway en route to the Cayo District and the impressive Maya site of Xunantunich. Before reaching the entrance to this ancient city, cross the Mopan River in a 19th century ferry. "El Castillo", the largest temple in Xunantunich, towers in view. Climb to the top and enjoy incredible panoramic vistas of the rainforest below and bordering villages between Belize and Guatemala. Continue to San Ignacio and check in to **duPlooy's Jungle Resort** for two-night stay. B L

#### Day 5 Day Free

Day free to relax, stroll and explore on your won, or take advantage of one the many optional activities offered including Caracol, Barton Creek caves, Tikal, horseback riding, and river canoeing. Cost of these optional excursions is additional and not included. B

## Day 6 The Belize Zoo and Olde Belize River

Today return drive via the Western Highway to Belize's Wildlife Habitat, the Belize Zoo, created as a sanctuary for the country's indigenous species. First intended as a refuge for animals that were injured or donated to the facility, the Belize Zoo is home to an impressive array of large cats, primates, reptiles and birds affording you the opportunity to view Belize's prolific wildlife up close. Then continue drive to the village of Burrel Boom to board a riverboat for leisurely cruise on the scenic Olde Belize River. Glimpse basking crocodiles, iguanas and sunbathing turtles, and overhead troops of howler monkeys are spotted. The river foliage of Bamboo Forests, Cohune and Royal Palm trees is home to countless species of birds. Upon arrival to Belize City, take short commuter flight to quaint seaside village of Ambergris Caye and check in to **Ramon's Village** in San Pedro. B L

#### Day 7 Hol Chan Marine Reserve and Shark Ray Alley

Morning snorkel tour to Hol Chan Marine Reserve and Shark Ray Alley. Marvel as you snorkel in pristine, incredibly clear waters and enjoy up close and personal glimpses of nurse sharks, graceful stingrays and abundant, colorful marine life. Afternoon is free to relax and soak in the tropical sun. B

## Day 8 Belize City - Home City

Morning at leisure, then Transfer to Airport for short commuter flight to Belize International Airport for connecting flight homeward or next destination. B



# Package Includes:

- One Night Hotel Accommodations in Belize City at The Radisson Fort George Hotel (Colonial Room) Including Tax

- Two Nights Hotel Accommodations in Jaguar Paw Resort (ROH) Including Tax

- Two Nights Hotel Accommodations in the Cayo District at duPlooy's Jungle Resort (Bungalow) Including Tax

- Two Nights Hotel Accommodations in Ambergris Caye at The Ramon's Village Superior Garden view Room a.k.a. Seaside Room) Including Tax

- Daily Breakfast

- Four (4) Full Day Adventure Tours with Lunch and One Half-Day Snorkel Tour with professional Guide

- Park Fees to sites visited

- Two (2) Domestic Flights (Belize City to Ambergris Caye to Belize International Airport)

- Airport to Hotel Transfers

# **Does Not Include:**

- Meals not specified, gratuities, bar items and other expenses of a personal nature

# **Restrictions:**

- Tour Participants should have moderate to high level of fitness

- Bookings for Single Alone Traveler Not Accepted unless he or she can join a scheduled departure

- Several Adventure Tours are not suitable for children under 12 years of age, or for teens under 16 years of age (valid Driver's License is required for Rainforest ATV Tour on Day 2). Customized Family options available upon request

\*For more information, contact your travel agent or **Festival Tours**.