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# **BELIZE: WILDLIFE ADVENTURE**

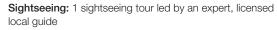
7 days | Belize City | Lamanai | Cayo region | Xunantunich | Ambergris Caye

A tropical paradise with miles of shimmering blue Caribbean coastline and lush jungle canopies, Belize is bursting with diverse wildlife and a sense of adventure. See native jungle animals up close on multiple nature hikes, whiz through the treetops on a zipline, and snorkel in the crystal clear waters of the Caribbean. Ancient ruins, cave tubing, and a riverboat cruise ensure this will be an adventure your girls will never forget.

### YOUR EXPERIENCE INCLUDES:



Full-time Tour Director



Activity level: Active; moderate walking (at least 2 hours daily), and may include high-altitude hiking, swimming, rafting, or more strenuous activities in high heat and humidity



**Entrances:** Lamanai Ruins; Old Sugar Mill; guided jungle hike; cave tubing; canopy tour; Xunantunich Ruins; Chaa Creek Natural History Center; local exchange; Belize Zoo; snorkeling



All of the details are covered: Round-trip flights on major carriers; comfortable motorcoach; boat; 6 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms; 3 meals daily (Days 2–6); dinner on arrival day; breakfast on departure day





These tours gives girls the confidence to work toward a significant goal and the courage to try new things while traveling. They return with character and want to make their world a better place.—

Kim H., Group Leader

#### DAY 1: FLY TO BELIZE

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport in Belize City.

### DAY 2: BELIZE CITY

- Travel by boat to the New River Lagoon.
- Take an expertly guided tour of Lamanai Ruins. Named after Mayan ruler Lord Smoking Shell, who believed he was a descendant of the crocodile spirit, the name "Lamanai" means "submerged crocodile." As a result, you'll come across a number of crocodile carvings (and even some real crocodiles in the lagoon) as you explore these ruins, which date back as far as 1500 B.C. View three large pyramids, residential areas, some open plazas, and a ball court. Make sure to check out the view from the High Temple, which looks out over the treetops, and the Mask Temple, where tall stone faces are carved into the sides of the structure.
- Visit the Old Sugar Mill.

#### DAY 3: BELIZE CITY I CAYO REGION

- Travel via Sandhill to the Cayo region.
- Take a guided jungle hike. Seasoned Belizean bushmen will teach you jungle "survival" skills like how to make a fire, find water, and treat injuries during your eco-hike. See tropical wildlife, and go floating in tubes in hidden caves containing remnants of sacrificial offerings from the Mayan era. After lunch, your adventure continues with a zipline tour through the broadleaf rainforest. You'll learn how to properly navigate a zipline before zooming from one platform to the next.
- Travel to the Cayo region.

#### **DAY 4: CAYO REGION**

- Visit Xunantunich Ruins.
- Visit the Chaa Creek Natural History Center.
- Participate in a local exchange.
- Take a jungle night hike.

#### DAY 5: CAYO REGION | AMBERGRIS CAYE

- Visit the Belize Zoo to see howler monkeys.
- Travel by ferry to Ambergris Caye.

#### DAY 6: AMBERGRIS CAYE

- Located off the tip of Mexico's Yucatán Peninsula, Ambergris Caye is less than 25 miles long and about one mile wide, but the number of incredible activities makes the island seem much larger. Its coastline is protected by the Belize Barrier Reef, a diverse ecosystem with over 500 species of fish, hundreds of invertebrates, and over 90 varieties of coral identified. The island's bustling town of San Pedro is home to a varied population including descendants of the Maya, Mexican, English, and Spanish who lived here centuries ago. The coastline is dotted with beautiful sandy beaches for the enjoyment of residents and tourists alike.
- Snorkel at Hol Chan.
- Enjoy a free afternoon in Ambergris Caye.

### DAY 7: DEPART FOR HOME

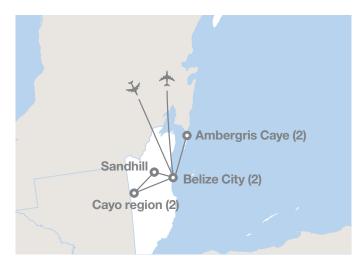
- Return by ferry to Belize City.

- Depart for your flight home.

Itinerary subject to change. For complete financial and registration details, please refer to the Booking Conditions.

#### TOP THREE THINGS I WILL SEE, DO, TRY OR EXPLORE

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-CHARLOTTE, PARENT OF TRAVELER



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