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TRIP DETAILS 10 days / 9 nts - Belize

> **Departures Daily** Trip Ref 2608

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PRICES FROM \$2,240

The Essential Belize Self Drive

How it works: the package includes a rented four wheel drive vehicle with unlimited mileage and accommodation in good quality hotels and lodges. We provide you with a map and detailed itinerary with mileages between destinations. You avoid rigid shuttle timetables and have100% liberty to drive at your own pace, to dawdle or rush as you like, and explore whatever you want as you go along.

Day 1: Arrival - Mountain Pine Ridge



After arrival at Belize International Airport, head across to the Crystal Car Rental offices and pick up your reserved 4x4 Chevy Tracker. Once you've your car, and time permitting, we suggest you drive along the Northern Highway to the Maya site of Altun Ha, about 1 hour away on mostly good roads.

Then as you head towards Cayo along the Western Highway, stop if you have time at the Belize Zoo. Started in 1983 when 17 animals were abandoned after filming a natural history documentary, it now features over 100 endangered animals indigenous to Belize. Enjoy the interpretive graphics of this very unusual zoo. Then head on and into Mountain Pine Ridge and check in at the Five Sister's Lodge.

(Included meals: N/A).

Days 2 - 5: Explore Mountain Pine Ridge - Xunantunich - Cahal Pech Mayan

There are plenty of great things to do and see in Cayo. We strongly recommend driving to Caracol, about 1 1/2 hours away, and visiting the Rio Frio Cave and Rio On Pools on the way back. Other sites and activities we recommend exploring are:-

- Canoeing on the Macal River
- Belize Botanical Garden
- Big Rock Falls
- Green Hills Butterfly Farm
- Garcia sisters and Magana brothers handicrafts
- Xunantunich and Cahal Pech Mayan ruins
- Barton Creek cave
- Actun Tunichill Muknal or locally known as ATM
- San Ignacio farmers market on Saturdays.

(Included meals: N/A).

Day 6: Near Belmopan - Ambergris Caye

After breakfast, continue your adventure back on the Western highway towards the Belize's diminutive capital, Belmopan, and on to the cave tubing tours that you can do on your own. Overnight at San Pedro.

(Included meals : Breakfast).

Day 7: Belize City - Ambergris Caye

After breakfast, drive back via Western Highway to Belize City, under 90 minutes away. Return your car at the Crystal Car rental airport office and take a Tropic Air flight to San Pedro (Ambergris Caye), 20 minutes away. On arrival at San Pedro you literally walk to the other side of the road to checkin to the SunBreeze Hotel, where you have reservations for the next 3 nights in a standard room. Overnight at San Pedro.

(Included meals : Breakfast).

Days 8 - 9: Ambergris Caye

During your stay in San Pedro, you can select what you want to do and when, whether diving, snorkeling, renting a hobie cat, or just relaxing and taking it easy. The town is a picture postcard setting - small colorfully painted houses set alongside sand streets nestled beside the turquoise sea. Golf carts and bicycles are the principal mode of transportation, but you will also see some regular size vehicles such as



taxis along the way. The streets are home to strollers casually making their way through the shops and restaurants or just relaxing and chatting. Overnight at San Pedro.

(Included meals : Breakfast).

Day 10: San Pedro - Fly out from Belize City

Today you fly back from San Pedro in time to meet your flight back home. All Maya Air flights conveniently fly into the International airport, making checkin easy. Have a great flight home!

(Included meals : Breakfast).

Price per person

Dec 1-May 15, 2009	May 16-Nov 31, 2009
High season	Low season
\$1,860	\$1,673

Prices subject to change without notice.

Included:

- 5 days car rental of one Chevy Equinox (or similar), insurance, unlimited mileage
- 5 nights Double Estate room Hidden Valley Inn
- Local flight Belize Municipal Airstrip San Pedro Belize International Airport
- 4 nights & breakfast SunBreeze Hotel in a standard room.
- Round trip transfers from San Pedro Airstrip-Resort-Airstrip.
- All hotel taxes.

Not Included:

- -Mandatory refundable deposit on the rental car (USD\$ 750) on a major credit card.
- -International Airport departure taxes.
- -Meals not mentioned in the itinerary.
- -Tips & gratuities to guides or drivers.
- -Suggested additional activities mentioned in the itinerary.
- -Entrance fees to National Parks or other tourist sites.

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