# **BELIZE REEF** & RAINFORESTS

#### The Coral Tour

12 night itinerary: Miami (USA) - 1 night Rainforest, Chaa Creek Lodge - 4 nights Mountain Pine Ridge, Blancaneaux Lodge - 3 nights Ambergris Caye, Victoria House Resort - 4 nights

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Day 1 Depart on a daytime flight to Miami staying for 1 night in the USA.

Days 2-5 Fly to Belize, then drive to Chaa Creek in the Macal River valley, surrounded by lush tropical rainforest. Explore the natural history centre or the Mayan medicine trail. Optional visits include a tour to the famous ruins of Tikal in Guatemala as well as the local Mayan sites of Xunantunich, Cahal Pech and El Pilar, all surrounded by dense forest. There are daily birding walks, canoeing down the Macal River or visit



the Vaca Falls or the Río On pools. (B)

Days 6-8 Short drive to Hidden Valley Inn, a modern lodge with cosy, luxury rooms and cottages on a hill within the Mountain Pine Ridge Forest Reserve. Here the dense jungle, steep ravines, spectacular waterfalls and rushing river are home to many species of flora and fauna, including orchids and exotic birds. Optional tours to the extensive Mayan ruins of Caracol, hiking in the forest, visiting local caves, horse riding or exploring the walks downstream. (B)





Located on the Caribbean coast of Central America, Belize is home to the largest barrier reef in the Western Hemisphere and a truly magical marine environment with excellent resorts on the cayes. The ancient Mayan civilisations thrived in Belize for centuries, their towering monuments mysteriously hidden in the dense tropical rainforest of the rugged interior.



The swimming pool by the sea at Victoria House Hotel

Days 9-12 Transfer to Belize City where we take a fifteen minute flight over crystal clear water and patch reef to San Pedro on the small island of Ambergris Caye. 4 nights at Victoria House Resort, located south of the village, close to the magnificent Hol Chan Marine Park. Relax in a hammock under shady palms, snorkel in the rich waters of the barrier reef or take an optional trip to other islands and enjoy a barbecue on the beach. Diving and fishing trips can also be arranged at the hotel. (B)

Day 13 Short flight back to Belize City Airport in time to connect with your overnight flight home, arriving the following day, Day 14. (B)

The Coral Tour departs every day throughout the year - 14 days INCLUDING: 12 nights accommodation and breakfast (B), all flights (1 overnight), transfers to/from airport, excursions, all transport and meals as shown in the itinerary. Please see pages 190 - 193 for further details of what is included.

PRIVATE INDIVIDUAI		First Class Tour	
CORAL Tour	1 Single	Travelling Together	
	Traveller	Double	Own Room
25Dec-21Jun, 17Aug-12Dec	£4798	£3326	£4554
22Jun-16Aug, 13Dec-24Dec	£4915	£3442	£4666
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FLIGHTS departing from London and UK Airports, Internal Flights and Taxes, are included. UPGRADE to Business Cabin add: £2138 in High Season / £2250 in Low. Premium Economy add £688. (ESTA VISA required for the USA)

HOTELS used, descriptions and photographs on our website, veloso.com/coral

TAILOR-MADE SERVICE: Please enquire for a personalised itinerary to fulfil your individual requirements. We can combine hotels, change route, excursions and we can offer Triple Rooms, Suites and Deluxe Hotels.

#### Victoria House Resort First

Located on the beachfront on Ambergris Caye and surrounded by tropical flowers and fauna, white sand beach and warm blue ocean water. There is a reef where the waves break so the sea in front of the hotel is generally calm. It is an ideal place for relaxation with an ambiance of privacy and casual elegance. Flights are to the airstrip at San Pedro and you will be met. Victoria House has a variety of air conditioned rooms within the main house, thatchroofed cabañas with ceiling fans and three private Villas, all with private facilities and a tropical cool stylish decor. The resort has 2 swimming pools and a restaurant, and is within walking distance of the small village of San Pedro where you have a variety of restaurants, bars and shops.

## The Lodge at Chaa Creek Deluxe

On a bluff overlooking the Macal River, within a 365 acre rainforest reserve, are 23 elegant thatch-roofed cottages surrounded by lush tropical gardens. All are traditionally built with local hardwoods, tastefully decorated with regional art, antique weavings and exterior verandas to enjoy nature. A large palapa features the bar, restaurant and garden veranda. The Lodge has an excellent spa offering a range of pampering beauty treatments, five villas with one to three bedrooms and two tree-top honeymoon suites. Enjoy the swimming pool between guided excursions to Tikal, canoeing on the Macal River, horseriding and walking along the extensive, well marked trails. The Macal River Camp is an adventure, isolated in the forest with thached Cabanas and shared facilities.

#### Blancaneaux Deluxe

Located in the Mountain Pine Ridge Forest Reserve, the lodge offers twenty bungalows & villas, all with thatched roofs, artisancrafted & antique colonial furnishings and a luxurious bath with views of the jungle sky. Activities available are: Mayan ruins (Day trip to Tikal), horse riding or mountain bike, or visit the many caves and waterfalls in the area. The lodge has its own organic garden.

#### Lamanai First

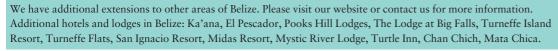
The Lodge is located overlooking the waters of the New River Lagoon and adjacent to the Mayan site of Lamanai The cabanas are handcrafted with thatched roof and screened windows surrounded by lush tropical gardens. An open air restaurant and bar afford panoramic views of the lagoon. Full board and daily activities included.

### Robert's Grove First

Nestled amongst 22 lush acres, between the turquoise clear blue Caribbean Sea and the Placencia Lagoon. The Hacienda-style Inn is situated on a white sandy beach and in the proximity to explore the Barrier Reef, Rainforest and Maya Ruins.

There are 3 pools, jacuzzis, a tennis court, gym, canoes, kayaks, windsurfers, sailboats and bicycles. The Inn has two restaurants and an on-property PADI dive and snorkel center and fly fishing shop. All rooms have private facilities, air-conditioning and fan, balcony or small patio overlooking the ocean or the lush gardens and pool.

A variety of guided excursions can be organised at the hotel to explore the area.















PRICES FROM	4 days • 3 nights
AMBERGRIS CAYE	
Victoria House Resort	£323
CHAA CREEK	
The Lodge at Chaa Creek	£803
Macal River Camp	£398
MOUNTAIN PINE RIDGE	
Blancaneaux	£793
ORANGE WALK	
Lamanai	£843
PLACENCIA	
Robert's Grove	£548

All prices are per person including transfers, accommodation, breakfast, tax and service charge

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