

Lifelong memories made in Belize



From the Editor: Tamara Sniffin

Travel is all about the experience, whether solo, with your soul mate, friends, family, or a combination; Belize does not disappoint. In this issue of My Beautiful Belize, we explore a few fun experiences families traveling with young children can enjoy, from horseback riding to fishing and exploring Maya archaeological sites. Of course, these adventures are for travelers of all ages, and for those who are ready for a little adult fun without the kids, there are plenty of opportunities for mature relaxation. One way or another, you are destined to have fun.



Sometimes, despite the best of intentions, travel plans gone wrong can become the fondest memories after the fact. We all have a story of missed flights, bad weather, lost luggage, or sudden illnesses. At the time, you're thinking, "Worst vacation ever," but years later, you find yourself sharing the memory with fellow travelers and laughing at the comedy of errors. Traveling is memorable, regardless of what turns it may take. Just go with the flow and make the most of the journey; they say, "Half the fun is getting there"!

We welcome you and your family to our tropical paradise, where great fun is to be had, and lifelong memories are made in Belize.



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San Pedro Town Mayor

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Whether you are diving into adventure, relaxing by the sea, or connecting with the wonderful people that call this island home, we invite you to be a part of our story. Enjoy your stay and may you have a wonderful visit filled with discovery and joy!

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Anna Scott reads *My Beautiful Belize* while visiting the **White Sands National Monument in New Mexico, USA**. The park is home to the globe's largest collection of Ice-Age fossilized footprints and tells more than 20,000 years of human presence, all while providing memorable recreational opportunities.

While enjoying a cappuccino at one of her favorite coffeehouses in San Ignacio, Cayo, Belize, **Ms. Stephanie Martinez** reads about her mother, **Ms. Leonila (Nila) Mai**, who is featured on the front page of the November 2024 *My Beautiful Belize*. Ms. Martinez is from the village of San Antonio in the Cayo District and works with her mother at Upe Nai.

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Travelers Are Putting **FAMILY FIRST**



You may have noticed that travel trends are increasing in family vacations, with an estimated 47% being multigenerational trips. Most of us can relate to sharing experiences and making memories as a family, and traveling in numbers, like bringing the grandparents along, can help manage a gaggle of little ones. It can be extra special for the adult child, making memories with your parents while fostering adventure in your kids, while the children get bonus time with the grandparents, a win-win for everyone! No matter how elaborate or humble the adventure may be, it's all about family time, exploring new environments, and creating lifelong memories.

In Belize, we see more families visiting our country, as we have so much to offer, including family-friendly accommodations and countless opportunities for fun and adventure. Be it a low-keyed stay at a beachside resort where days are spent building sandcastles, playing in the water for hours, and taking delicious naps in hammocks on the beach, or jungle adventures exploring exotic Maya archeological sites, cave tubing, and ziplining, Belize meets the need of families who are looking for a unique and memorable vacation.

With so much to choose from, here are a few adventures that will surely delight the child in all of us.





Family Travel: Horseback Riding at Green Acres Ranch

The expansive Green Acres Ranch, located within the lush panorama of the Cayo District along the Hummingbird Highway, offers a variety of family-oriented activities. Their jungle horseback riding tours accommodate all levels of riders, from novice to cowboy! Before the tour, friendly wrangler Emilio and the team welcome you, assess your comfort level, explain basic riding skills, and show you how to communicate with your trusty steed. Youngsters must wear helmets, but they are available to all riders. Once orientation is complete, you are

introduced to your equine friend for the day, and with the help of a step platform, you're in the saddle and ready to ride!

Led by a team of attentive riding professionals who are certified BTB tour guides as well, the two-hour ride takes you through citrus orchards, grassy fields with grazing horses complete with adorable foals, ranchland dotted with cattle and white Brahma bulls, travers lively rivers, and immersed within misty mountains and thick jungle. The diverse terrain

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offers a picturesque snapshot of Belizean landscapes. Riding in a single file, Emilio spends time with each rider, assuring all is well while sharing anecdotes of ranch life and pointing out areas of interest. With a roaring waterfall as a dramatic backdrop, Emilio orchestrates photo ops, memorializing the adventurous day.

In keeping with family-oriented activities, the long-established Green Aces Ranch also offers an informative walk and talk through their citrus orchards, where guests gain a greater appreciation of what farmers bring to the table and learn about organic farming. They can even plant a citrus tree! They also offer a super fun Tractor Trailer Adventure ride through the scenic ranch and beautiful vistas within the valley of the Sleeping Giant. The journey includes indulging in fresh farm fruit, or you can arrange a complete picnic lunch next to the creek under giant shade trees. While savoring a tasty lunch, guests can enjoy wading the creek and marvel at the many birds in the area, all the makings of a memorable family experience.

New to their family-oriented activities is the Mennonite Carriage rides. Enjoy a one-hour farm loop ride through the fields and orchards. The nostalgic carriage ride is perfect for non-riders traveling with horseback riders.

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Reef Fishing

Just about any place you stay within the country, chances are fishing is offered. Be it river fishing, deep sea, or reef fishing, there's something for everyone. For families with budding anglers, a half day on the water reeling in fisty reef fish is grand fun. Full and half-day trips can easily be arranged along the coast with local tour operators. With the close proximity to the Meso-American Reef, guests staying on Ambergris Caye or Caye Caulker can spend an afternoon reeling in huge smiles and fish aboard a hired boat with a skilled guide.

All equipment needed is usually included, with fully rigged fishing gear, plenty of bait, and beverages such as water and soda. Best of all, your guide knows where the fish are while staying on the beachside of the reef, where the seas are calmer. They are happy to help youngsters (and adults) with the equipment, even baiting your hooks, casting your line, and removing your catch if needed. Essentially, all you need to do is reel in your catch! On a good day, you can come home with more than a dozen fish, ranging from snappers, grunts, mullets, and even barracuda.



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Family Travel: Exploring Maya Archaeological Sites

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Now that your fledgling adventurer is ready for some real-life action, there are several Maya archaeological sites to explore in Belize. Some are more accessible than others, so if you’re traveling with young ones, you may choose the more “user-friendly” sites for families. The smaller size of the compound ensures less time for tired legs or waning attention spans. Wherever you are staying, the concierge should be able to arrange your tour.

Cahal Pech Archeological Preserve

Settled upon two acres of land on a mountaintop overlooking the picturesque city of San Ignacio in the Cayo District, Cahal Pech was once home to an elite Maya family. With evidence of continuous habitation as far back as 1200 BCE, it is one of the oldest recognizable Maya sites in Western Belize.

With over 30 structures, including temples, plazas, ball courts, ceremonial masks, and artifacts, the site offers a lot of interaction while exploring, like climbing stairs, going through cool tunnels, and traversing the maze of structures. Great for engaging a young audience! A tour guide is essential for sharing captivating information and stories about the area and, to spectators' delight, to spot monkeys and toucans in the above canopy.

This site is easy to access and has handy restroom facilities. Two hours is all you’ll need to enjoy this jungle gem with your family.

Altun Ha

This Maya site in the Belize District near the Maskall Village is about 30 miles north of Belize City. The most prominent structure is the Temple of the Sun God’s Tomb, also known as the Temple of the Masonry Altars. Despite its relatively small size (covering an area of about five square miles), this site was once a major ceremonial and trading center. Compared to sites in the area, Altun Ha is one of Belize’s most excavated and restored locations, making it a favorite for tourists and visitors wanting to experience a true sense of ancient Maya civilization from centuries past.



The area around Altun Ha is rich in wildlife, including armadillos, bats, squirrels, agouti, paca, foxes, raccoons, coati, tyra, tapir, and white-tailed deer. Two hundred species of birds have been recorded in the area and spotting any resident creatures while exploring the compound excites children of all ages. The expansive compound takes a couple of hours to tour fully.



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Going to the zoo is a given when you have children, but people of all ages love the zoo! Fondly referred to as the “Best Little Zoo in the World,” the Belize Zoo is Belize’s oldest wildlife rescue and rehabilitation facility. Resident animals are rescued, confiscated from the illegal wildlife trade by law enforcement, or transferred from other rehab and zoological facilities. Their habitats reflect the animals’ natural setting and provide an immersive educational experience for visitors.

Today, the zoo cares for more than 150 animals, representing 43

native species. More than 60,000 people visit the zoo annually, and it is the only nature-based destination in Belize accessible to persons with physical disabilities.

The 30-acre zoo is located at Mile 29 on the George Price Highway in the Belize District, roughly halfway between Belmopan and Belize City and a half-hour’s drive from the international airport.

Learn more about the Belize Zoo at <https://www.belizezoo.org>.

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by Janelle Cowo-Gonzalez

Experience the unique charm and rich traditions of La Isla Bonita, San Pedro, and Ambergris Caye during "El Gran Carnaval." This lively celebration, deeply rooted in Mestizo culture, marks the beginning of the Lenten season with beach parties, local food, live entertainment, and the burning of Don Juan Carnaval, which symbolizes the cleansing of sins. Carnaval is a family-friendly event that offers fun for all ages.

Join the festivities starting Saturday, March 1st, at the San Pedro Central Park Grand Street Festival. The celebrations continue from Sunday, March 2nd, through Tuesday, March 4th, featuring traditional dance parades known as "Comparsas." Participants also enjoy the unique experience of painting each other with colorful water and powder paint along Boca del Rio Beach Drive and downtown San Pedro. Sunday and Monday are recommended paint days for young children, as the atmosphere is more relaxed, making it perfect for family fun.




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The final day of Carnaval on Tuesday promises even more excitement. A DJ entertains the crowd in Central Park during a dance party. This day is geared more toward adult fun, so it's recommended that young children attend earlier in the day, especially before sunset.

The celebration concludes on Ash Wednesday, March 5th, with the traditional burning of Juan Carnaval. This act symbolizes the community's cleansing of sins and is believed to protect the island from misfortune during the solemn Lenten period.

We invite everyone, locals and travelers alike, to celebrate our rich Mestizo culture. This event offers a unique opportunity for all to experience the island's vibrant cultural traditions and festive spirit. Embrace the joyful atmosphere of this lively festival!



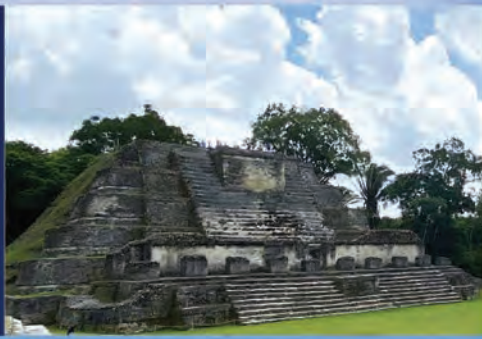
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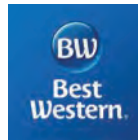
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Enjoy uninterrupted fun and adult relaxation at the Moon Bar!

by Janelle Cowo-Gonzalez



As a mom of one, I truly appreciate living in an area with plenty of family-friendly dining options. However, I also cherish opportunities for quiet days with my husband or girlfriends. This is especially true when it comes to dining. While I enjoy eating as a family, it isn't always a "relaxing" experience. So, when I have the chance for a day away, I prefer not to be surrounded by other busy parents and energetic kids.

If you're anything like me, that adult-only time is rare but incredibly important. Fortunately, an adults-only restaurant, Moon Bar, is located on North Ambergris Caye. This beachside restaurant offers a relaxing alternative with its peaceful environment, amazing cocktails, and delicious meals. The menu is designed with adults in mind, providing guests a unique experience in a spectacular location. Moon Bar is an exclusive beachside bar and pizzeria for adults (18+), known for its laid-back and inviting atmosphere.

Open to the public; Moon Bar offers the perfect setting to enjoy stunning views of the Caribbean Sea and the Belize Barrier Reef while indulging in some of the best drinks and pizzas in San Pedro. In addition to the fantastic location, food, and drinks, guests have complimentary access to lounge chairs, daybeds, a swimming pool, kayaks, and stand-up paddleboards.

During a recent visit, I was delighted to try their award-winning "Sweet and Spicy Thai Lobster Pizza."

This exceptional dish features a homemade crust coated with a creamy peanut satay sauce, topped with generous chunks of fresh lobster, green bell peppers, red onions, and mozzarella cheese. To elevate the flavors, the pizza is finished with fresh cilantro, chopped peanuts, and a drizzle of their signature sweet chili sauce. Combining these ingredients creates a truly exquisite treat, and it's no surprise that this pizza won first place for the Best Lobster Dish at the 2024 San Pedro Lobster Festival. Although lobster is a seasonal offering, the restaurant also serves this pizza with shrimp, making it available for year-round enjoyment.



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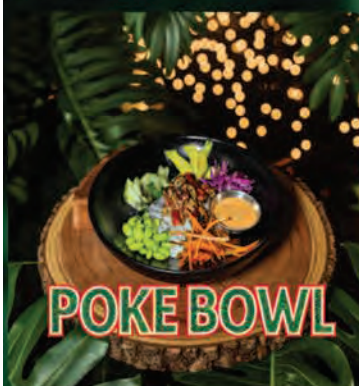
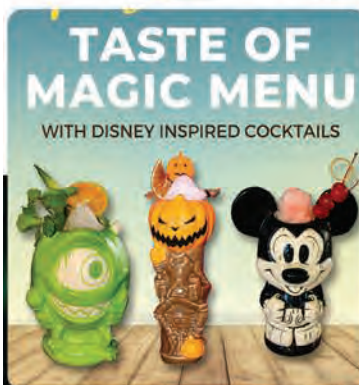
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Adults-only at Moon Bar *Continued from Page 15*



A kid-free day out isn't complete without some adult beverages, and Moon Bar certainly delivers! The talented mixologists at the bar have perfected infused margaritas in various flavors, including jalapeño, pineapple, strawberry, and mango. If you can't decide on a flavor (what a delightful dilemma!), you can order a flight and let your taste buds choose. My personal favorite was the mango infusion!

Moon Bar offers a carefully crafted cocktail menu and a build-your-own pizza option, catering to various tastes. They also provide gluten-free and vegan options. Each month, they introduce a specialty pizza and cocktails to keep the experience fresh and exciting.

You won't want to miss this spot, whether you call Ambergris Caye home or are just visiting.

Moon Bar is located 6.5 miles north of the Sir Barry Bowen Bridge, within the grounds of Mangata Villas. They are open daily from noon to 9PM. Their delicious homemade pizzas are also available for takeout, but there is no delivery service. To place an order, call +501-610-8953 or visit mangatavillas.com/moon-bar. Join them on Friday evenings for their unique golf cart drive-in movie experience under the starlit sky.



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Over the past decade, Tiburon Rum has become synonymous with premium quality and cultural heritage in Belize, earning both local and international acclaim. Part of the Tiburon Run family, FIN Tequila represents a three-year journey focused on maintaining exceptional quality.

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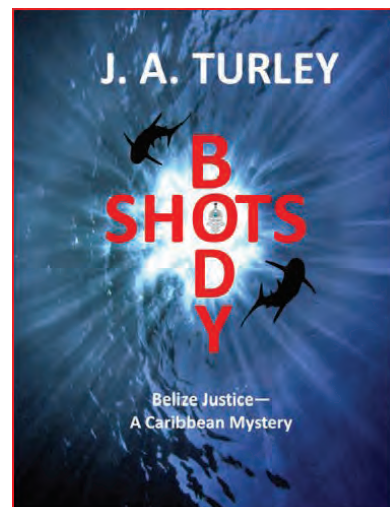
agave tequila, ensuring authenticity and quality. "FIN Tequila is a celebration of Belizean culture, craftsmanship, and environmental responsibility," said Basil DeStefano, CEO of Tiburon Rum.

This newest tequila not only seeks to embody Belize's spirit through its rich and smooth taste but also promotes ocean conservation in partnership with Oceana. This commitment to sustainability makes it more than just a premium beverage; it embodies a movement toward responsible consumption.

This new offering invites everyone to raise a glass to support our oceans and our shared commitment to sustainability.

You can get your bottle of FIN Tequila or Tiburon Rum at their showrooms in San Pedro Town or Placencia Village or visit their website (www.tiburonrum.com) for ordering details.

By Janelle Cowo-Gonzalez



While outside the Barrier Reef, a diver photographs a dead body and is compelled to learn who died and how. He finds the truth to be more brutal than any shark.

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From seed to swarm, beekeeper Shawla Leslie is the heart of Farmed to Perfection



Tucked away in the sleepy village of Camalote, just five kilometers west of Belmopan, in the Cayo District, is the charming Farmed to Perfection, where magical things happen. The farm is one happy place, from harvesting honey and healthy products from the beehive to tilapia pools and gardens of bright flowers and herbs for the bees, rabbits, chickens, hogs, sheep, a few dogs and cats, and even guinea pigs.

Shawla and Desmond Leslie run the family farm, which began after Shawla attended a beekeeper training session in December 2021. The Child Development Foundation sponsored the one-of-a-kind program through the government of Belize, and now Shawla is one of the few female beekeepers in the country. After completing the training, she was to receive bees and materials to start her apiary. Eager to get started, she already had ten hives established with wild bees when the supplies arrived a few months later.

Shawla explained that beekeeping is an endless learning experience and that her products are not limited to honey. "There's a lot to learn about having bees and losing hives. It's how you learn from your errors; it is so intricate. I realized that the hive has many by-products inside, and I was amazed by that. I wondered why other beekeepers didn't do something with this. Why didn't they use the propolis (a mixture of beeswax and other oils and resins collected by bees and used in beehive construction) to create products using the wax and not just sell honey in a bottle? So, that's why I created products to show Belize that there is so much more in the hive. We don't create a product unless it is a by-product of the hive."

Once a beekeeper, Shawla began farming, starting with pigs, a cow, and sheep, and eventually growing to where she is today. Her honey business evolved into a line of custom-made goods made from beehive byproducts, including lip balms, ointments, facial scrubs, wood butter, and antique wax polish, to name a few. Shawla's creativity didn't end there; she has mastered a variety of delicious honey infused with coffee, garlic, anise, red pepper, spice seed, and cinnamon. She even sells honey from different areas with subtle flavors from that region. The "Belize in a Bottle" collection includes Taste of Camalote, Taste of Corozal, Taste of Cristo Rey, and Taste of Belize City. Of course, honey by the bottle or gallon is available too.

Their labor of love comes with a vision of sharing their skills

of simple farming with other Belizeans, and plans are underway to turn their acreage into a Learning Center. "One of the main purposes is to encourage others, especially Belizeans, to know that you can grow their own food, start small, and learn, especially since I am from the city...through trial and error, I've discovered essential skills, shortcuts, and strategies to build a self-sustaining lifestyle. I'm passionate about sharing this knowledge and empowering people to create their own slice of homesteading heaven, no matter where they live," Shawla explains.

Guests are invited to visit Farmed to Perfect, where their "Seed to Swarm Trail" grows within the warm embrace of the lush countryside. The onsite shop includes their honey products, yummy fruit syrups, beautiful purple Butterfly Pea Tea, and more. They are also constructing a visitor center and a new shop.

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Celebrate the spirit of the holidays by embracing Belize's Easter traditions

by Janelle Cowo-Gonzalez

Every year, families worldwide celebrate one of the most memorable holidays of the year: Easter. While people's practices vary based on their cultural backgrounds and religious beliefs, one constant remains: the holiday is best enjoyed with good company.

In Belize, Easter is a vibrant event filled with exciting beach parties, sporting events, and entertainment for all ages. It represents a time of celebration and renewal, and Belize is no exception.

For many religious communities in Belize, Easter also marks La Semana Santa (Holy Week), during which they embody the true spirit of the holiday. Belizeans eagerly anticipate traditional events during this time, with the largest celebrations taking place in Benque Viejo, Orange Walk, and San Pedro Town.

From Palm Sunday (April 13) to Easter Monday (April 21), Christians across the country observe Jesus Christ's death and resurrection through a weeklong series of activities. While most religious observances

throughout the week consist of special masses or liturgies, the events on Good Friday are conducted on a larger scale and involve the entire community. These activities include the creation of sawdust carpets used during the reenact of the Passion of Christ.

Sawdust carpets are significant in Orange Walk and Benque Viejo del Carmen, areas with a predominantly Mestizo population. Each year, parishioners gather to create stunning artworks using colored sawdust on the streets near their church in preparation for the Good Friday religious procession. The process begins with a solid or uncolored sawdust base layer, often outlined with wooden frames. A light sprinkle of water helps to hold everything together. Artists then add intricate designs using sawdust, stencils, and various materials like flowers and fruits, resulting in a vibrant display on the ground.

Benque Viejo Town comes alive on Good Friday as residents commemorate the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ through a reenactment known as the Passion of Christ. This event highlights the 14 Stations of the Cross and features a Holy Burial procession led by three floats, including a life-sized statue of Jesus in a glass coffin. The somber procession involves participants of all ages and is accompanied by the Benque Viejo Marching Band. While the Stations of the Cross in Benque Viejo is the largest in the country, other municipalities, such as San Pedro, also offer their own unique observances.



If you are in Belize during Easter and wish to experience our local traditions, you are always welcome to join us. Please note that Good Friday is a dry day, meaning no alcoholic beverages can be served or sold from midnight on Thursday until midnight on Friday. However, exceptions are made for resort guests and restaurants where food is consumed.



Calendar of Events

March

Baron Bliss Harbour Regatta, March 9th



The sailing tradition is an annual event held on the weekend of National Heroes and Benefactors Day. This nearly century-old tradition dates back to 1926 and honors the legacy of Baron Henry Edward Ernest Victor Bliss. The race features four categories: Optimist, Dory, Bosun, and Olympic Laser. The event begins at Smokeez Restaurant in Belize City.

April

Cross Country Cycling Classic



April 19th: This annual event draws cyclists from all over the country and the region. The race begins in Belize City and features a lead-out to mile 3 on the George Price Highway. Cyclists then embark on a round trip covering a distance of 144 miles to and from San Ignacio Town.

May

Belize Cashew Festival



On May 10th & 11th, mingle with artisans, chefs, and local cashew farmers showcasing a variety of cashew products in Crooked Tree Village, Belize District.

The Chocolate Festival of Belize



May 16th to 18th. Join us in celebrating cacao, culture, and the rich traditions of Southern Belize, in collaboration with our local partners and sponsors. This event takes place in Punta Gorda in the Toledo District.

La Ruta Maya River Challenge



March 7th to 11th: Four days of intense paddling, covering 170 miles of breathtaking scenery and pure adventure. The race begins at Hawksworth Bridge in San Ignacio Town, located in the Cayo District, and ends at Belcan Bridge in Belize City.

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