



DISCOVERY TOUR INFORMATION

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Tour Dates 2023

- Aug 17 - 20
- November 9 - 12
- December 7 - 10

DISCOVERY TOUR

Pre-Tour Information

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We are excited to welcome you to Carmelita Gardens!

Below, you will find the information you need to prepare for your trip, what you can expect when entering the country, your stay with us, and additional resources.

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“ Belize health & safety update effective July 12, 2022, the Belize tourism board advises that the government of Belize has decided to remove all public health measures at the points of entry in Belize (land and sea).

Effective July 12, 2022, all foreign tourists entering Belize will have the option to purchase the Belize travel insurance. It is no longer mandatory but is highly recommended by the Belize tourism board.”

[READ MORE: BELIZE TOURISM BOARD](#)

Entry Requirements for Belize
Updated July 12, 2022



Transportation To/From Carmelita Gardens

Once you have passed through Immigration & Customs, WELCOME TO BELIZE!!!

Now it's time to make your way to Carmelita Gardens...

Carmelita Gardens is located about 70 miles from the Philip Goldson International Airport [BZE], roughly a 2 hour drive. Along the way you will pass through many small towns and villages, full of local flare and flavor. You will see some wonderful landmarks and the locations for some incredible excursion sites, like the "Sleeping Maya", the Belize Zoo, ATM Caves, and more.

- Find the BTB's Country Map [on Page 14](#).
- Check out the [Belize Tourism Board website](#).
- Download the Belize Travel app from the app store on your mobile device to learn about some of Belize's most favorite landmarks.



Transportation To/From Carmelita Gardens

Shuttle Service

We partner with a local shuttle service, [Xplore Inland Tours](#), to transport our guests to/from Carmelita Gardens. The wonderful staff at Xplore Inland Tours is certified with the BTB as a Gold Standard Tour Operator and Transportation Service. They meet the heightened cleanliness, health & safety, and customer service standards set by the BTB and are rated highly by sites like TripAdvisor.

After you pass through Immigration & Customs, you will exit the airport and walk outside to the curb for pickup. You will be greeted by a driver for Xplore Inland Tours with a sign bearing your name. They will help you load your luggage, and you will be on your way to Carmelita Gardens.

Shuttle service must be pre-arranged by Carmelita Gardens.

Extending your stay?

Contact Sergio Paiz @ Xplore Inland Tours to schedule a great adventure and memorable excursions. Contact Sergio by email at Come.Tour.Belize@gmail.com



Transportation To/From Carmelita Gardens

Rental Cars

If you will be staying for an extended period, we STRONGLY recommend renting a car. A rental car is a great way of traveling through Belize, providing you with the freedom to roam and experience the country.

Upon exiting the International Airport, you will see the various [auto-rental companies](#) directly across the parking lot. Based on factors such as a quality vehicles, accessible/helpful customer service, and fair pricing; we recommend using one of the three rental companies listed below.

- ▶ **Budget:** www.budget-belize.com | [501] 223-2435 (*Local Belize No.)
- ▶ **Hertz:** www.carsbelize.com | [501] 225-3300 (*Local Belize No.)
- ▶ **Crystal:** www.crystal-belize.com | [501] 223-1600 (*Local Belize No.)

These companies have established reputations, providing 24-hour emergency road-side assistance, various offices around the country, and will provide maps/GPS units (depending on the vehicle).

You can also rent a car locally in San Ignacio.

* Suggestion: If you do not have an International Phone Plan during your time in Belize, consider talking to your auto-rental company about a cell phone. Many companies provide a basic cell phone with the rental, or at a small fee. This will assist with local phone calls and communication with our Carmelita Gardens staff. These phones are most often prepaid phones that you can reload with credits at most convenience stores and many shops throughout the country.



Directions To/From Carmelita Gardens

Philip S.W. Goldson International Airport

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Philip S.W. Goldson International Airport

International Airport Road, Ladyville, Belize

Continue to Western Hwy

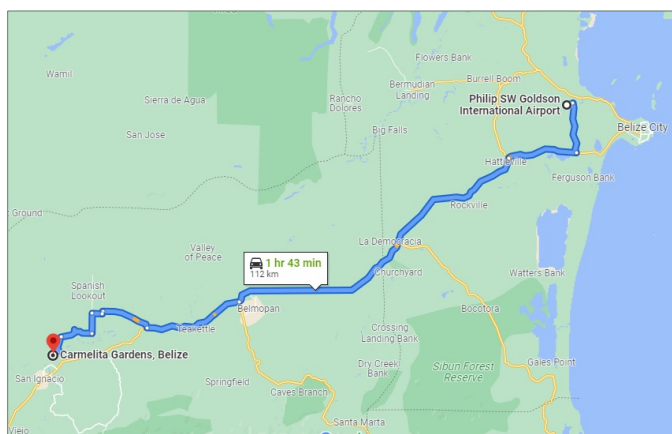
- 11 min (9.2 km)
↑ 1. Head east on International Airport Road
- 1.1 km
↗ 2. Slight right
- 8.1 km

Follow Western Hwy to Mount Hope

- 1 hr 5 min (79.9 km)
↘ 3. Turn right onto Western Hwy
- 11.0 km
- 52.8 km
⦿ 4. At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on Western Hwy
- 16.1 km
⦿ 5. At the roundabout, take the 1st exit and stay on Western Hwy

Drive to your destination

- 26 min (22.5 km)
↘ 6. Turn right
- 400 m
↙ 7. Turn left onto Bee Lane
- 1.6 km
↑ 8. Continue straight onto Route 20 East
- 3.1 km
↙ 9. Turn left onto Center Road
- 5.8 km
↘ 10. Turn right at Riverside Road
- 3.8 km
↙ 11. Turn left
- 12 m
↙ 12. Turn left
ⓘ Destination will be on the left



Carmelita Gardens, Belize

111 Carmelita Gardens, Santa Familia Village, Belize

Discovery Tour Itinerary

Your Discovery Tour is a 4-day/3-night experience. Our goal is to provide you with the information and experience in order for you to be able to determine if Carmelita Gardens is the right fit for you.

The below itinerary is simply meant to give you an idea of what to expect during your Tour. The final itinerary will be customized based upon the size and the priorities for each group.

Day 1: Arrival

- **Arrival** to Philip Goldson International Airport [BZE] - Mid-Day
- **Pick-Up at Airport** | Leisurely drive from Airport to Cayo, stopping in Spanish Lookout
- **Arrive & Check-in at the hotel**
- **Dinner and Socializing:** Hosted by Carmelita Gardens
- **Free Time:** Relax or turn in for the night.

Meals: Provided by Carmelita Gardens with a welcome beverage

Day 2 Explore Cayo

May include some of the following

- **Tour of San Ignacio**
 - Farmer's Market
 - Maya Ruins
 - Other Points of Interest



Discovery Tour Itinerary

Day 2: Explore Cayo (con't)

➤ **Tour of Spanish Lookout** [Mennonite Community]

- Driving tour of Spanish Lookout
- Western Dairy
- Farmers Trading Center
- Other Points of Interest

Meals: Breakfast at Farmer's Market, Lunch in a Restaurant, Potluck with the community for Dinner

Day 3: "A-Day-in-the-Life" at Carmelita Gardens

- **Guided Tours of the Community:** Garden Tour and/or Tree Walk - hosted by a volunteer from the Garden Club or our resident arborist
- **Home Tour and Site Tour:** hosted by the Developer (Phil Hahn) and/or the Carmelita Gardens Sales Team
- **Self-Directed Enjoyment of the Community:** Explore the community by foot
- **Take a soak in the river at Riverside Park**
- **Free Time:** Visit neighbors, go for a stroll, relax on your porch, or turn in for the night.



Discovery Tour Itinerary

Day 4

CONCLUSION:

Many of our guests choose to extend their stay. This is recommended to give you the greatest opportunity to explore Carmelita Gardens - the community and the people.

Whether you extend your stay or will be departing on the last day of the Tour, we will assist you with the arrangements for transportation to the airport via Xplore Inland Tours shuttle service, or you are free to drive yourself if you have a rental car.

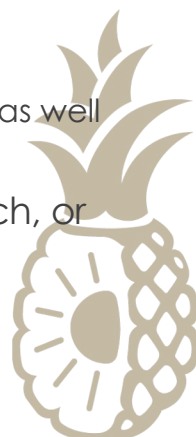
- **Leisurely drive to Airport [BZE]**
- **Arrive at Philip Goldson International Airport [BZE]**
 - ***NOTE:** You will want to arrive at the Airport roughly 1.5-2 hours before your departure time. The drive is about 2 hours so plan to be ready to leave Carmelita Gardens 3.5-4 hours prior to your flight's departure time.
- **Other**
 - Grocery Shopping: San Ignacio
 - Excursions: TBD

Lunches & Dinners: TBD - We will be eating at local restaurants as well as enjoy a community dinner or two at Carmelita Gardens

Free Time: Visit neighbors, go for a stroll, relax on your porch, or turn-in for the night

Bespoke Property Tours: Available upon request

Q&A: One-on-one meetings to discuss "next steps"



What To Pack List

- ❑ Shorts, T-shirts and other LIGHT, LOOSE clothing
- ❑ Long Sleeve COTTON Shirts (For when you are spending long periods of time in concentrated sun)
- ❑ Walking/Hiking Shoes
- ❑ Water Shoes
- ❑ Sandals/Flip Flops
- ❑ Sunscreen
- ❑ Bug Spray
- ❑ Supply of prescription medications (They are available in Belize, but may take a while to obtain a prescription)
- ❑ Face Masks ("Bufs" or "Tube Masks" are not considered sufficient by the GOB)
- ❑ Guidebooks/Brochures
- ❑ Hand Sanitizer
- ❑ A CARRIER Unlocked Cell Phone (IF you are planning on getting local Belize SIM card)

For more information, click [HERE](#).





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GUATEMALA

CARIBBEAN SEA



MAP KEY

	metres	feet
Major City	1005	3300
Country Capital	1005	3300
District Towns	607	2000
Villages	607	2000
Barrier Reef	426	1400
Major Archaeological Sites	198	650
Domestic Airports	91	300
International Airports	289	950
Water Taxi Route	503	1650
Gas Station	716	2350
Dive Site		
Point Of Interest		

0 5 10 15 20 Miles
0 8 16 24 32 Kilometres

This map is for informational purposes only and not intended for navigational use.

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LOCAL BELIZE RESOURCES



FIRST AID

Mary Arnold, On-Site Retired Nurse *CPR Certified
+501 661-8854 [Local BZ #]



AMBULANCE

Hotline - 90

Spanish Lookout Rescue Team,
+501 600-0911 [Local BZ #]
+501 677-0911 [Local BZ #]
spanishlookoutrescueteam@gmail.com

BERT
[Belize Emergency Response Team]
+501 223-3292 [Local BZ #]
www.bertbelize.org



HOSPITAL

San Ignacio Community Hospital
+501 804-2761 [Local BZ #]
sch@whr.health.gov.bz



POLICE

Hotline - 911

Santa Familia Police Station
+501 610-9473 [Local BZ #]
Police Chief Peters

San Ignacio Police Station
+501 804-2022 [Local BZ #]



FIRE

Hotline - 90

San Ignacio F.D.
+501 804-2029 [Local BZ #]

Santa Elena F.D.
501 804-4208 [Local BZ #]



NEMO (Nat'l Emergency Mgmt Org)

Hotline - 936

San Ignacio Branch
Cell: 501 630-3224 [Local BZ #] - or - Cell: 501 630-3224 [Local BZ #]
<http://site.nemo.org.bz/district-organizations/cayo/>