



## Glover's Getaway & Kayak Rental

Explore the Belize Barrier Reef using your kayaking skills. Start with a three-night stay at our Glover's Reef Basecamp and then a five-day self-guided kayak expedition.

**Duration**: 8 Nights **Starts**: Dangriga **Finishes**: Dangriga

Seasonal Trip: November to April

Blackout dates: Easter

**Habitats**: Barrier Reef - Glover's Reef Atoll **Activity level:** ●●●○ [4] Paddling experience

required

**Activities**: Sea kayaking (paddling and sailing), snorkeling, handline fishing, stand-up paddle boarding

Optional: Scuba Diving -fees apply

## Package includes:

- 1-night Dangriga guesthouse standard room
- 3-night safari style "Basecamp" accommodations
- Meals (as per itinerary)
- Boats transfer to Southwest and Tobacco Caye
- Guided activities and equipment (as per itinerary)
- · Park fees and taxes

Accommodations: Pal's Guesthouse, Glover's Reef

Basecamp on Southwest Caye

Package does not include: airfare, gratuities, medical/travel insurance, snorkel/fishing/scuba/camping gear, cooking equipment additional activities (scuba), costs incurred by flight delays, taxis to/from docks in Dangriga, motorboat back to mainland

**Trip Highlights**: Independent Kayak expedition on the Belize Barrier Reef, guided snorkeling and kayak at Glover's Reef, night snorkel, Garifuna drums night

**Recommended for**: Experienced paddlers, off-grid adventurers, digital detox

Pairs well with: Rainforest Canopy Extension, Rainforest Wildlife Extension, Cayo Caves & Temples Extension, Sacred Temples & Caves Extension

Pricing based on Double Occupancy. Single supplement subject to availability. Contact our Trip Planners for details.



Located thirty-six miles offshore Belize's mainland, Glover's Reef Atoll, is a protected marine park and UNESCO World Heritage site that offers unparalleled snorkeling and paddling. First, you'll have the opportunity to sleep in comfortable, safari-style tent cabanas, dine on fresh, local cuisine and enjoy guided reef activities. Next, embark on your own self-guided kayak expedition. IE will provide the kayaks, gear and transportation to your starting point, as well as assistance and guidance with route and trip planning. This trip is ideal for experienced paddlers who would like to learn about the local waters with a few days guided, and then head off on your own on a self-guided expedition.

"Basecamping" involves sleeping in wall-tented cabanas. These spacious safari-style tents have ample headroom to walk around, are on raised wooden floors, and have real wood-framed beds (6-inch foam mattresses). Tents can be configured with either double or single beds. All bed linen is provided.

## **Typical Daily Itinerary:**

**Day 1:** Start with a "provision day" to prepare for your paddling adventure. Arrive in Dangriga and take a short cab ride to Pal's Guesthouse. After checking into your accommodations, head next door to the Island Expeditions' Operations Base. Our staff will help you prepare for your self-guided trip by reviewing your plans and let you know the best spots for fishing and snorkeling. They will also offer pointers on shopping for dry goods and provide you with a fruit/vegetable order list to be delivered fresh on the Wednesday, for your self-guided portion of the trip (days 5 to 9).

Accommodation: Pal's Guesthouse Meals: Not included

**Day 2:** We meet at 7:30 a.m. for an 8 a.m. departure to Glover's Reef Basecamp on Southwest Caye. Upon arrival to Glover's Reef, your guides will introduce you to your new environment, give you a camp orientation, and allow you to settle into your tent cabana. After lunch, we get out on the water where you'll receive professional instruction, learning the fundamentals of sea kayaking, snorkeling, and tropical water safety. We paddle to a nearby patch reef and begin exploring one of the 700 snorkel sites Glover's Reef Atoll has to offer.

Accommodation: Glover's Basecamp Meals: Lunch, Dinner

Day 3 & 4: Start your day with an early swim or grab a mat and practice sunrise yoga by the beach. We keep our itinerary flexible to respond to the interests and abilities of the group and the current weather conditions. Activities include sea kayaking, snorkeling the lagoon and outer walls of the reef, Belizean-style handline fishing, and learning to sail a kayak. Just a stone's throw from shore, you will find excellent flats to fly fish for bonefish. "Hammock surfing" with a good book and a cold beverage is also a popular option. We host informative sessions on Belize, the marine environments, and local culture. We end each day with a "boca" and drink to share stories of the day's adventure.

Accommodation: Glover's Basecamp Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

"If you are looking for adventure in a remote pristine spot you couldn't possibly go wrong. Excellent organization, friendly, and knowledgeable staff. This is a trip of a life time, worth repeating too! I've done lots of unassisted adventure kayaking, Island Expeditions delivers the experience without me having to do any thing!

Frank - AB Canada

## Itinerary Cont.

**Day 5:** For the last morning at Glover's Reef, the choice is yours; you may grab a mask, snorkel, and fins for a final visit to your favourite coral reef or fly fish on the flats with your most productive Bonefish fly. After lunch, a motor charter will drop you off at Tobacco Caye, a beautiful small island on the central barrier reef. Your gear, food, water, and kayaks await you at Tobacco Caye, and from this point, you begin your self-guided adventure.

**Days 6-8:** The next few days of freedom, you will paddle from island to island on your chosen route. Each day, use the sea conditions to dictate your path and distance. Paddle along the barrier reef, through mangrove ranges, to palm studded cayes. Drag a fishing line near a local patch reef to see what bites your hook - the choice is yours. No guides, meals, or lodging will be provided for this portion of your trip.

Accommodation: None Meals: None

**Day 9:** On your last day, you can either paddle back to Tobacco Caye and coordinate a water taxi service (most depart at 9 a.m) or pre-arrange for a motorboat charter to take you back to the mainland (extra fees apply)

**Travel Notes**: Our Dangriga Operations Base is open daily from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. During these hours, we are available by VHF Radio and phone. Generally, cell phone service is available in the main areas. The base serves as a place to log itinerary changes and can provide daily weather reports. Please feel free to call if you require support.

This combination trip is only suitable for those with previous kayaking experience and who are comfortable making route and safety decisions during their journey.

Contact our Trip Planners for more trip details, Gear Rental (stove, tent, and snorkel gear not included in trip price), Flight & Hotel Packages or to extend your Belize itinerary by combining this trip with another Island Expeditions adventure or extension.









