



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: Snorkelling - Sea Kayaking - Kayak Sailing - Hand Line Fishing - Wildlife Viewing, Standup Paddle Boarding - Inter-Tidal Night Walk - Conk/Lobster Harvest (seasonal) - Lionfish Hunting - Beach Games - Drumming

Optional: Scuba diving - please inquire

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, Island Camping

What Makes it Special: Cultural Immersion - Private Island "Glamping" - Sleeping next to the Sea - Caribbean Sunsets - Fresh Local Seafood - Fishing for Dinner - Stargazing - Basecamp Happy Hour - Island Hoping - Octopus Safari - Cultural Drumming - Choose Your Own Adventure Paddling Expedition - Belize's Best Guides

Trip Highlights: Glover's Reef Atoll, South Water Caye Marine Reserve

Pairs well with: Rainforest Canopy Extension, Maya Moho River Expedition, Rainforest Wildlife Extension

Not Included: airfare, gratuities, medical/travel insurance, snorkel gear rental, camping gear rental, camping fees, scuba diving, costs incurred by flight delays

Pricing: Per person, based on double room occupancy. Single supplement is subject to availability. Please contact our trip planners for more details



Overview:

Journey to the least populated of Belize's 3 atolls - **Glover's Reef**. Located 36 miles offshore, this area is part of a UNESCO World Heritage site and offers unparalleled paddling and some of the healthiest coral in the entire Caribbean. You'll stay at our basecamp on **Southwest Caye** in comfortable, safari-style tent cabanas, dine on fresh local cuisine and enjoy guided reef adventures while you get accustomed to the gear and the local waters. Next, embark on your own self-guided kayak expedition in the **South Water Caye Marine Reserve**. IE will provide the kayaks, gear and transportation to your starting point, as well as assistance and guidance with route and trip planning.

Basecamping: Our spacious safari-style tents are on raised wooden floors, have ample headroom to walk around, and are equipped with wood-framed beds (6-inch foam mattresses). Tents can be configured with either double or single beds. All bed linen is provided.

Glover's Reef Atoll: At approx. 20 miles long and 8 miles wide, Glover's Reef is home to over 800 coral patch reefs. 5 coral islands are semi-protected along the atoll's Southeast crest - providing excellent kayaking and SUP opportunities for both beginner and experienced paddlers.

Southwest Caye: A remote 13-acre private tropical island surrounded by over 17,000 acres of marine protected waters including mangrove areas, intertidal zones, sea grass beds, and coral reefs.

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 for the first day of the self-guided portion of your trip (days 5 to 9).

Accommodation: Pal's Guesthouse

Meals: Not included

Day 2: We meet at 7:30AM for an 8:00AM private boat charter to Glover's Reef. You'll travel beyond the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef System to our private basecamp on Southwest Caye. The distance travelled is approx. 36 miles and takes 1.5 hours. Upon arrival, your guides will introduce you to your new island home where you'll have time to settle into your tent cabana. The rest of the day will be spent on the water where you'll receive a kayaking refresher and snorkeling intro. In the afternoon enjoy either a guided paddle or shallow-water snorkel at a local patch reef.

Accommodation: Glover's Basecamp

Meals: 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 3 & 4: Start your day with an early swim or grab a mat and practice sunrise yoga by the beach. Over the coming days, an array of guided activities will be offered based on weather conditions and group interest. This is your opportunity to learn from the locals before venturing off on your own! We also host informative sessions on Belize, the marine environment, and local culture. All guided sessions are optional and laying in a hammock is considered an "official activity". Evenings on Southwest Caye are filled with happy hour gatherings, cold beverages, night walks, beach games, star gazing, cultural presentations, and incredible Caribbean sunsets.

Accommodation: Glover's Basecamp

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: For the last morning at Glover's Reef, the choice is yours; you may grab your snorkel gear for a final visit to your favourite patch reef or fly fish on the flats with your most productive Bonefish fly. After an early lunch, our private boat charter will take you to Tobacco Caye, a beautiful local island on the central barrier reef. Your gear, food, water, and kayaks await you here. This is where you begin your self-guided adventure.

Accommodation: None

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Days 6-8: During the next few days you'll have the freedom to choose your own adventure. Paddle from island to island using the sea conditions to dictate your distance and route. Stop for snorkels along the way, or drag a fishing line behind the kayak and see what bites your hook - the choice is completely yours! No guides, meals, or lodging will be provided for this portion of your trip.

Day 9: On your last day, you can either paddle back to Tobacco Caye and coordinate a water taxi service (most depart at 9:00AM) 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 8:00AM to 5:00PM. 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.

Camping Gear Rental is not included in price. Contact our Trip Planners for more trip details, Flight & Hotel Packages or to extend your Belize itinerary by combining this trip with another Island Expeditions adventure or extension.

