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## *Belize Aggressor III & Sun Dancer II*



**World Wide  
LiveAboard Diving  
Adventures**



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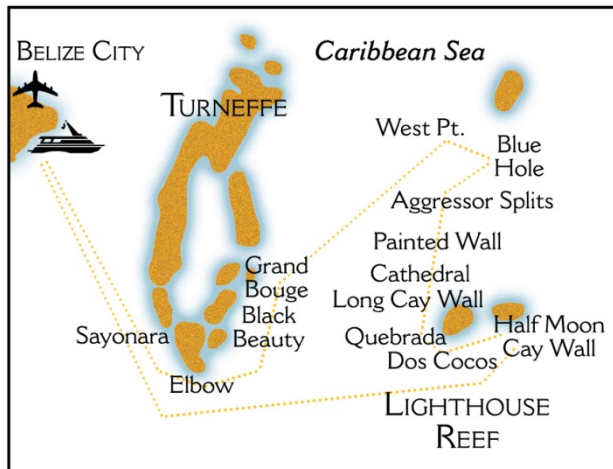
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Belize is home to the world's second largest barrier reef, ancient Mayan Ruins, spectacular rivers, rainforests and wildlife. It has three of the only four true coral atolls found in the hemisphere.

The marine life that inhabits the barrier reef is extraordinary and diverse. It includes everything from schools of tarpon, turtles and stingrays to a wide variety of tropical species, and of course, the famous Blue Hole. The Blue Hole is a collapsed freshwater cave system that is approximately 1000 feet across and over 400 feet deep. It was made world famous by ocean pioneer Jacques-Yves Cousteau.

## THE YACHTS INCLUDE:

All staterooms are air-conditioned and fitted with a private toilet, shower, sink, hair dryer and robes. Breakfast (cooked to order), buffet lunch and an elegant meal at dinner with tableside service are served in addition to fresh mid-morning and mid-afternoon snacks. Beverages, soft drinks, local beer and wine are complimentary while onboard. Linens are changed mid-week and fresh towels are placed in each stateroom as needed. Filled tanks, weights and weight belts are included.

## SINGLE TRAVELERS & SINGLE SUPPLEMENT

All rates are quoted on a share basis; therefore you will be roomed with another person of the same gender. If you would like a private room, the cost is a 65% surcharge and will guarantee you a private room.

## ITINERARY

Throughout the week you will dive at Turneffe and Lighthouse Reef. Sheer walls like Painted Wall, Half Moon Caye Wall and Quebrada are adorned with huge crimson gorgonians and wandering, lilac rope sponges. Weather permitting; divers explore the mystical Blue Hole, a collapsed freshwater cave system. With all dives from the mother ship, five dives a day are the norm. Diving begins Sunday morning and ends Friday before lunch when the yachts return to port. The crew hosts a sunset cocktail party at 5:30 p.m. followed by dinner ashore (this is the only meal not included in the cruise). Saturday morning at 8:00 am, guests are transferred to the Belize Airport or a local hotel. Throughout the week there will be opportunities to go ashore for swimming, snorkeling and beach combing.

## WELCOME

As you prepare for your diving adventure, we extend a most hearty welcome. It is important to notify our office of last minute changes concerning your airline arrival and departure times or any changes in your address and telephone numbers. The enclosed information will assist you. Please download the most recent "Know Before You Go" before your vacation from our website. The Reservations Office and the yachts are in constant communication. In the event of an emergency, family and friends may contact you at the above numbers. If you need to reach the yacht, please call or e-mail the boat. There is a satellite phone onboard; however, it does not have a recorder. Phone cards can be purchased onboard to make phone calls or send/receive e-mails. (Wi-Fi can only be accessed when the yacht is at the dock, not during the cruise) To ensure the timely arrival of your luggage into Belize City, we recommend re-checking it at the ticket counter before your international departure to Belize City. Don't forget to use your luggage tags, they will help the crew identify your bags.

We recommend you travel with a carry on bag with a change of clothes, bathing suit, medication and toiletries. In any case whereas your dive equipment is delayed, you will be provided with a 'Free' set of loaner equipment. Having these few items with you can make an unexpected luggage delay more bearable.



## PASSPORTS & DOCUMENTATION

Visitors must have a passport that is valid for at least 6 months beyond your period of stay, adequate funds to support themselves, and a return airline ticket to travel to Belize. It is the travelers' responsibility to ensure they have the proper documentation to travel into each country on his or her itinerary as well as for re-entry and return to their country. Please check with the appropriate consulate to ensure you have the proper documentation. Always check your passport and visa requirements. USA citizens may go to the USA Department of State website at [www.travel.state.gov](http://www.travel.state.gov) for more information. The website also has information for consulates by country to assist with requirements. There are special requirements for children leaving the USA and many countries have adopted requirements for the protection of children. Since regulations vary by country, contact your consulate or embassy of your country for the requirement. ***The Reservation Office and staff cannot assume responsibility for passengers not having correct documentation.***

## ARRIVAL (Saturday to Saturday)

The Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II operate out of Belize City, Central America. Guests arriving in Belize on Saturday are greeted at the international airport by a crewmember in uniform who will have a "Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II" sign. (transfers are not provided from the Belize City Municipal Airport) Our agent cannot enter Customs but will be just outside the door. Baggage handlers may aggressively offer to help with your luggage those few feet for a mandated per bag fee. Guests will be transported in an air-conditioned van to the yacht. If you are already in Belize, please make your way to the yacht anytime after 3:00 p.m. Both yachts dock at the Radisson Fort George Hotel Dock and depart for the week after everyone is onboard Saturday evening.

**Airport Arrival into Belize:** There are two complimentary transfers provided by the Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II from the airport to Belize City at approximate 12 pm and 4:30 pm which may vary based on the flight arrival times. Most flights arrive around the same time. Guests may have to wait up to one hour for the shuttle; however, they may wait in the airport lounge which has free wi-fi. If guests prefer not to wait, they may take a taxi for approximately \$25 to the Radisson Fort George Hotel and wait until boarding time.

**Airport Departure from Belize:** There are two complimentary shuttles from the yachts to the airport, one at 8:30 am from the yacht and 12:30 pm from the Radisson pool area.

For guests arriving early in the day, Liveaboard Vacations, [www.liveaboardvacations.com](http://www.liveaboardvacations.com) can arrange for a private car and driver for the day to meet guests with their luggage at the airport and journey out on a customer private tour to nearby ruins, the local zoo or other activities.

In the event you arrive a day late, you can still board the boat by having the yacht agent hire a water taxi to transport you to the Belize Aggressor III or Sun Dancer II. The cost of this service ranges from USD \$300 to \$600 (cost is determined by the location of the yacht) and is the client's responsibility.

## C-CARDS & DIVE THE WORLD CLUB

Remember to bring your c-card or proof of certification. The divemaster requires proof of certification before the first dive. If you are a repeat guest, you are automatically enrolled in the Dive the World Club and will receive onboard discounts. Your membership is indicated on the Captain's rooming list.

## GIS (GUEST INFORMATION SYSTEM)

The Reservations Office, Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II require each guest to complete a Cruise Application and Waiver prior to departure and diving through our online GIS (Guest Information System). If you have not received a link to complete the online Guest Information System (GIS), please call an Aggressor or Dancer Fleet agent. ***Passengers who fail to complete it online will be denied boarding.***

## **INSURANCE**

We strongly recommend each guest purchase comprehensive accident, medical, baggage and trip cancellation and interruption insurance when space is reserved. Trip insurance will protect you from financial disappointment if you are prevented from making your scheduled trip due to illness, family illness or in the event that unforeseen circumstances prevent the airline or yacht from making its scheduled trip. In the event you cancel your trip, be familiar with Aggressor Fleet and Dancer Fleet's cancellation policies, which can be found on the websites. More information can be found on Diveassure or Divers Alert Network insurance on our websites.

## **FEES & TAXES (per person)**

Each guest must pay a \$95 USD port fee (includes cruising tax and park fee) at the end of the charter when settling your bill. These may be paid by Visa, MC, cash or Travelers Checks. A departure tax of \$40 USD per person (cash) will be collected at the airport when departing.

## **HEALTH**

The yachts have a comprehensive first aid kit onboard, including oxygen and an AED. You may want to bring motion sickness medication if you feel you will need it. We suggest you bring over-the-counter motion sickness medication or consult your doctor about prescription brands, such as the trans-dermal patch or Scopace tablets. Currents and winds may cause moderate movement of the yacht at times. We recommend a complete physical before your trip. There are two recompression chambers located in Belize.

The yachts and their staff are unable to accept any medication brought onboard for safe keeping including those that require refrigeration. Should a guest have a medication requiring temperature control, they will need to travel with a travel cooling case or small storage cooler with several blue ice packets. The crew will be happy to store and recharge the blue ice but are unable to accept possession of or responsibility for the proper care and storage of medication. This should be kept in your stateroom.

Belize, like all Central and South American countries, has reported cases of malaria and dengue fever, therefore, medication is recommended for extended stays into the mainland. We suggest that you consult with your doctor. There is NO smoking allowed inside the yacht or on the dive deck. Smoking is only permitted on the rear of the sun deck.

## **THE YACHTS**

### **Belize Aggressor III**

The Belize Aggressor III is a 110' yacht with a wide beam. Built and powered for comfort, safety and stability, she is diesel-powered, cruises at 10 knots and has 110-volt power onboard. Accommodations include 9 Deluxe staterooms, 7 have a double and single bunk-style berth and 1 with 2 single bunk-style berths and 1 Master stateroom with one double bed. All staterooms have climate controls.

The Belize Aggressor III sleeps 18 guests in privacy and comfort. She features a roomy, air conditioned salon and dining area, sun deck complete with a hot tub, lounge and deck chairs, stereo and CD player, shaded wet bar and grill, a complete photo center with a digital video and still photo editing computer. The Belize Aggressor III has a safe aboard to store valuables such as passports, cash, credit cards or anything else you would like to store.

### **Sun Dancer II**

The Sun Dancer II is a 138' yacht with a wide 26' beam. Built and powered for comfort, safety and stability, she is diesel-powered, cruises at 12 knots and has 110-volt power onboard. Accommodations include 8 Deluxe staterooms with two twin beds or one king bed and 2 Master staterooms with one queen bed. All staterooms have climate controls.

The Sun Dancer II sleeps 20 guests in privacy and comfort. She features a roomy, air conditioned salon and dining area, sun deck complete with a lounge and deck chairs, stereo and CD player, shaded wet bar and

grill, a complete photo center with a digital video and still photo editing computer.

## **BOTH YACHTS**

Diving amenities include Nitrox (unlimited Nitrox is \$100 per week or \$150 for 10 nights), individual dive lockers, camera table with low-pressure air hoses, and two hot, fresh water showers. We highly recommend extreme caution and care be taken if you plan to travel onboard with electronic equipment. (Laptops, iPods, iPads etc) This equipment should always be stowed after use to avoid the risk of damage. The yachts are not responsible for lost, damaged or stolen items.

## **FOOD**

The menu onboard is varied and plentiful, with a variety of American feasts, barbecues and local cuisine. If you have any special dietary requirements, please be sure these are noted when completing the GIS. You will awaken to fresh fruits, hot entrees, cereals and juices. Lunches are buffet-style, featuring hot soups, homemade breads, salads and sandwiches and/or entrees. Dinners are served each evening and include salads, vegetables, seafood, beef or chicken with a fresh homemade dessert. Once onboard, please speak to the chef about any special needs. Certain special dietary and beverage requests may not be available due to the remote nature of this location.

## **BEVERAGES**

The beverage selection includes fruit juices, soft drinks, iced water, iced tea, coffee, and a limited selection of local beer and wine, which are complimentary. Due to the high duty charged on liquor, we suggest you bring your special brand from the U.S. Liquor can be purchased from the airport duty free shops prior to departing on your last flight to Belize City. Drinking and diving do not mix. Once you consume alcohol, you become a snorkeler until the next day.

## **CLOTHING**

Please plan to travel light, as on all live-aboard dive yachts, space is limited. We recommend that you pack your gear in soft luggage such as a duffel bag for easy stowage and to add to your comfort in your cabin. Clothing should be lightweight, comfortable sportswear; sunscreen and swimsuits are a must. A light sweater or jacket is ideal for evenings. Dress is always casual and informal. Additional items you may want to bring are sunglasses and walking shoes for you time on shore.

## **ENTERTAINMENT**

There is a variety of nightly entertainment, including diving, fish identification presentations, movies, games and more. If you have a favorite movie, digital presentation or a video to share, we encourage you to bring it along. The crew especially loves new releases of DVD's, movies, CD's, recent magazines and books. A small library of books for exchange is maintained onboard as well as fish identification books for reference.

## **CELEBRATING A SPECIAL OCCASION**

Whether it's your anniversary, birthday, honeymoon, wedding or you are celebrating a 100<sup>th</sup> dive, please let us know so the crew can celebrate your occasion. Kindly advise the USA office prior to traveling so the crew is notified in advance.

## **DIVING CONDITIONS**

You will be diving in water that averages 82°F in the summer months and approximately 78°F in the winter months. Most guests make as many as 5 dives each day, so some sort of protection is needed. A 1-3mm wetsuit or shorty is recommended year round. All diving is from the mother ship.

## **DIVING**

The crew onboard, with their unique combination of talents, offers the ultimate service. While onboard, you may pick a buddy of your choice, or dive with one of the crewmembers. The yachts offer up to five dives

per day (2 on the last day) including night dives. There is ample storage space for your diving equipment in your personal locker. The Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II provide 80 cubic ft. tanks, weight belts and weights.

The stern and platform area is very spacious. The boarding ladders were designed for convenience to allow divers easy entries and exits. Enjoy fresh water showers on the back deck after your dives and dry off with a warm towel.

All diving onboard the Belize Aggressor III and Sun Dancer II should be within the limits and standards of the training agency that certified you. All dives should be planned no decompression dives.

## **DIVE GEAR SUGGESTIONS**

We suggest you pack the following: mask, fins, snorkel, regulator with pressure gauge, depth gauge, buoyancy compensator, dive computer, dive light, mirror, safety sausage, Dive Alert and/or other safety devices. Dive computers are mandatory for each guest. Each piece of gear should be marked with waterproof paint or tape.

## **CONSERVATION LAWS**

Conservation laws do not permit wearing gloves, spear fishing or collecting.

## **RENTAL DIVE EQUIPMENT**

A full line of Aqualung rental gear is available aboard including regulators, BCs, dive computers, and night lights. If any of your dive equipment fails while onboard, the crew will loan you equipment free of charge.

## **CERTIFICATION & SPECIALTY COURSES**

Several diving specialty courses are offered onboard including Nitrox, Advanced Open Water, UW Photography, Master Diver and more. Open Water Certification Courses & Check-Out Dives are offered as well. A list of available courses and prices are available on our website.

## **PHOTO/VIDEO EQUIPMENT**

The yachts offer a complete digital photo facility including a PC for downloading photos. The photo pro is available for free coaching with equipment rental. Photo equipment is available to rent separately or as a complete set up. The yachts have a strobe charging station and a large camera table available for your camera and video equipment. Guests should bring their own battery chargers.

*Please refer to our websites for detailed information and pricing of rental equipment, certification courses, and photo/video equipment.*

## **UNDERWATER VIDEO/DVD**

Our Video Professional can capture your diving adventure onboard to share with family and friends. Video of the week/DVD (includes all guests and crew) are USD \$65 per person.

## **SHIPS BOUTIQUE & CREDIT CARDS**

There is a mini-boutique onboard, which sells a selection of logo clothing including t-shirts, caps, CD's and miscellaneous items. One day during the week, the crew will have a 'boutique day'. The yachts accept cash, traveler's checks, Visa, & MasterCard. Sorry, no personal checks or Discover cards. Many credit card companies are charging a conversion fee. If this happens to you, please contact your credit card company. If you would like to purchase additional boutique items after your trip, feel free to visit our websites.

## **FRIDAY**

After diving on Friday, the Captain or assistant will collect payment for purchases made throughout the week. The yachts return to Belize City at approximately 1:00 p.m. to provision and fuel. This is your opportunity to shop, visit the Belize Zoo, Cave Tubing, or tour a Mayan Ruin. These tours plus hotel arrangements can be arranged prior to traveling through the Reservation Office. Tours on Friday may also be booked while onboard the yachts. The yachts will host a sunset cocktail party Friday evening. Dinner is not served onboard this evening and the crew will assist you with your dinner reservations and arrange transportation to a local restaurant.

## **GRATUITIES**

Crew gratuities are not included in the charter. We believe gratuities should be voluntary and based upon the quality of service the crew has provided. When settling your account on Friday, the Captain will have an envelope for gratuities that will be divided equally among the crew. Payment can be made by cash, traveler's checks or credit card.

## **CHECKOUT**

Saturday morning after a continental breakfast, you will depart for the international Belize airport at approximately 8 a.m. If you are extending your stay in Belize other than staying at the Radisson Ft. George, taxis are available.

## **CAPTAIN'S LOG**

Each week we post the Captain's log of the previous charter on the website and Facebook. Please feel free to visit [www.aggressor.com](http://www.aggressor.com) and go to the Captain's log to find out water temperature, visibility, and sightings.

## **SAFETY TIPS WHILE IN BELIZE**

Here are some tips when touring Belize City and the countryside:

- Familiarize yourself with a map or other tourist information upon arrival.
- Always be aware of your surroundings and never walk alone. Do not wear jewelry openly or carry large amounts of cash.
- When dining out or exploring Belize's nightlife, take a taxi. Taxis can be identified by their green license plates. In Belize City taxi prices are set. Should you become involved in an emergency situation, please dial 911 immediately for assistance.

**Wishing you a wonderful vacation. Please don't hesitate to call or email us if you have any questions.**

