



BELIZE REEF: UNDERWATER THRILLS

With 185 miles of reef extending along the coastline—second only to Australia's Great Barrier Reef in size—the Belize Barrier Reef is one of the world's most popular sites for diving and snorkeling. More than 70 types of hard coral and nearly 500 species of fish await travelers in the pristine waters, which are easily accessible from the coast or the idyllic islands anchored offshore. Boat excursions to the reef and its wonders are readily available.

Top stops:

Lighthouse Reef Atoll + the Blue Hole

This atoll is home to the famous Blue Hole, a circular sinkhole that has attracted underwater enthusiasts for decades. Your clients will be amazed to encounter the towering stalactites and Caribbean reef sharks, barracudas, angelfish and some of the largest midnight parrot fish in the world, to name a few. Intrepid divers will also discover Half Moon Caye in this atoll, known for its swim-through tunnels featuring huge barrel and tube sponges, yellowtail snappers and eagle rays.

Glover's Reef Atoll

The atoll's shallow lagoon with amazing coral patches is a big draw, as well as its impressive coral ridge intersected by canyons and tunnels. And just beyond the atoll, shipwrecks await experienced divers.

Turneffe Islands Atoll

Just 25 miles from Belize City, this atoll is characterized by its beautiful cayes, mangrove forests and shallow lagoon featuring a maze of channels. Area currents pull in schools of fish and the Elbow wall is ideal for seeing turtles, eagle rays and hammerhead sharks.