COME WITH A SENSE OF WONDER. LEAVE WITH A SENSE OF AWE.

We are a full service adventure tour company based at Mystic River Resort, specializing in jungle, cave, and river excursions.
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About BushDog Adventures

Mystic River Resort is a boutique resort set in the heart of the Belizean rainforest with riverfront access to the exotic Macal River. Our resort offers all the amenities, with full service restaurant, bar, spa, and adventure guiding services available on premises.

Established in 2012, BushDog Adventures brings the best of Belize to you. With BushDog Adventures, we want to raise the bar and continue to expand on all the fabulous tours we currently offer and add some even more fantastic ones!

Our team of expert guides, Ben, Eber, Lloyd and Tom will be ready and willing to go the extra mile to make your stay with us even more amazing! Explore our 200-acre property and surrounding attractions and sites on foot, horseback, Polaris ATV backcountry rides, canoe, kayak, tube, or rappelling. We offer something for everyone!

“When we first arrived, we were warmly greeted and invited to go tubing in the pristine Macal River. From that moment on, our cares slipped away.”

TripAdvisor, Ann B
Meet Our Guides

Ben has been operating as a tour guide for 20 years. His background includes numerous work sessions with National Geographic Explorer, History Channel and Programs for Belize. He is a Field Naturalist who specializes in ATM Cave, Birding, Maya Ruins and Archaeology.

Eber has been a tour guide for over 10 years, specializing in Caving, Kayaking, Horseback Riding and Birding.

Lloyd has been a tour guide for 15 years and his specialties are Mayan Ruins, Birding, Nature Walks, and Medicinal Rainforest Plants.

Tom, owner of BushDog Adventures, has been in eco-tourism starting back in the mid-80s when he was involved in a major resort in San Pedro. He also operated as a tour guide in the 90s, captaining a 52-foot sports fishing boat. He has been guiding in Cayo since 2000.

“This was the perfect balance of getting out of our "comfort zone" for the day trips, and relaxing in a top notch resort before and after each excursion.”
TripAdvisor, Bow1234
BushDog Adventures provides the best in professional adventure guiding services in Belize. Our award-winning team will show you sights that will amaze you, show you how to do things you didn’t think you could do, and immerse you in the natural and cultural beauty of this richly diverse country.

Belize is blessed with ancient culture and vast natural beauty, from hidden jungle waterfalls, to crystallized ancient ceremonial caves, to cool mountains rivers, vast Maya temples, to forests abounding in wildlife and mystery. Come explore with us!

From the airport pickup to airport drop-off, this was a first class experience. We packed in tubing, ATM cave and canoeing in our 3 days there. TripAdvisor, mbish0gg
MAYA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES

Cahal Pech

Got a taste for ancient history? Want to explore the ruins of an ancient and fascinating civilization? While staying at Mystic River Resort, make sure you visit Cahal Pech, a site of Mayan ruins located in the town of San Ignacio. Mystic River makes adventure travel in Belize easy and convenient!

Cahal Pech was once a palacio home for an elite Mayan family. It is one of the oldest recognizably Maya sites in western Belize, resting high on the banks of the Macal River. The site was abandoned in the 9th century AD for unknown reasons.

The name Cahal Pech means “place of ticks,” and was adopted in the 1950s when the area was a cow pasture. Cahal Pech is now an archaeological park, and houses a small museum with artifacts from various ongoing excavations.

Xunantunich

Are you in love with the mysteries of the past? Do you love roaming the neighborhoods of ancient civilizations? Mystic River
Resort is minutes away from **Xunantunich**, a fascinating (and possibly haunted!) site of Mayan ruins. It’ll add that special something to your Belize adventure travel vacation.

Pronounced “shoo-NAHN-too-nich,” it’s located about 130 km (80 miles) west of Belize City, atop a ridge overlooking the Mopan River. Its name means “Stone Woman” in the Mayan language. The “Stone Woman” refers to the ghost of a woman who several people have claimed inhabits the site. The ghost is said to be dressed completely in white and have fire-red glowing eyes. She generally appears in front of El Castillo, ascends the stone stairs and disappears into a stone wall...

**Caracol**

Fascinated by the jungle? Want to explore the ancient civilizations of the Americas? Come to **Caracol**, a wondrous site of ancient Mayan ruins and one of the best destinations for adventure travel in Belize.

Situated approximately 25 miles south of Xunantunich, in the foothills of the Maya Mountains, the site was first reported by a native logger named Rosa Mai, who came across its remains in 1937 while searching for mahogany hardwood trees.
Take a winding path through the jungle to Caracol and discover its more than 40 monuments, some of them dating back to 1,200 BC. Enjoy the beauty and serenity of this place, which once was one of the largest Maya cities.

And if you can, make sure you climb the myriad steep temple steps and be amazed at the views of Belize’s untamed jungle. The drive through the Mountain Pine Ridge and the Chiquibul National Forest is very beautiful. Stop at the Rio On Pools for a refreshing dip before heading back to the resort.

Tikal

In the mood for a longer trip around Central America? Tikal is one of the largest archaeological sites and urban centers of Mayan civilization.

Located in the Petén Basin in northern Guatemala, Tikal’s Mayan ruins are a UNESCO World Heritage Site. And it’s all accessible from Mystic River Resort!

From the 3rd Century to the 10th Century AD, Tikal was the dominant political, economic and military power in the Mayan world. Mystery surrounds the city’s decline. There is evidence that the city’s palaces were burned, and the city was abandoned by the end of the 10th Century. Mystery surrounds the city’s
decline but there is evidence that elite palaces were burned. One can only guess that wars, combined with a gradual population decline culminated in the site being abandoned by the end of the 10th century.

BACKCOUNTRY EXCURSIONS

Sapodilla Waterfall and Hilltop Cave or Blancaneaux Cave

Hilltop Cave is a cave only accessible from Mystic River Resort. We take an exciting 1-hour drive in the Polaris--a unique climb up to the top of the hills. Here there is a natural sink hole where we use a ladder with ropes and safety lines on the low side or on the high side we rappel into the sink hole. This is a 70-foot rappel. This cave has Maya artifacts and signs of use by the ancient Maya people. It is not a large cavern, but it has very interesting formations and structures.

Blancaneaux Cave is entered on a 12-foot ladder where we work our way down the entrance into the main chamber of the cave. This entrance is approximately 3 feet wide and 10 feet long. Once you enter the main chamber, it is a quite pleasant cave, as it is dry and flat with ribbed surface from millions of years of water
flow. All caves are very old, and this cave is older than old with fallen and reformed formations, including helictites.

**Sapodilla Waterfalls** is a private paradise accessible only from our property! Start your day with a fabulous ride in our Crew Cab 6 Passengers Polaris vehicle to Elijio Panti National Park. These special places are only accessible via the backcountry, which allows our guests the unique experience of a private tour to a remote and untouched setting.

Take a short ride to the top of **Sapodilla Waterfalls** and rappel down the side of the falls! Or, walk down to the bottom pools of the falls and climb up the side of the falls! Or, just relax and swim in the cool refreshing waters.

There is a series of nice pools of water cascading for a total drop of over 100 feet.

Each one of the pools is spectacular! There are different ways to see the falls. You can enter from the top and work your way down. This is a short rope climb down to two lower pools using safety ropes, if it is appropriate for the guests and if the river conditions are acceptable. There are also a couple of pools at the top with a sandy beach where you can have your lunch and a fabulous swimming (full day trip). You will have the time of your life!

Waterfall weddings can also be arranged.
CAVING IN BELIZE

In the mood for a bit of spelunking? Belize’s caves make for some of the best ecotourism in the country. Adventure travel in these parts isn’t complete without a trip to the caves, and Mystic River Resort is within reach of many of them. Here are just a few of the attractions:

**Actun Tunichil Muknal**
Cayo District’s newest jungle cave attraction (it was only discovered in 1989) features ceramics, stoneware – and even human skeletons! This Mayan archaeological site is home of “The Crystal Maiden,” the skeleton of a teenage girl, probably a sacrifice victim, whose bones have been given a sparkling appearance by centuries of erosion inside the cave. Actun Tunichil Muknal is a must-see of ecotourism in Central America.
To enter the cave, you wade or swim across a large pool before scrambling up and into the cave. The caverns where the relics are found are dry even when the area is hit by a hurricane.

**Rio Frio Cave**
If you’re in the mood for something less strenuous than Actun Tunichil Muknal, this cave located in the Mountain Pine Ridge area is the ideal destination. You can park not too far from the massive 65-foot arched entrance, where the large boulders allow for climbing up along the side of the cave.

The cave is only half a mile long – you can see from one end to the other. A river runs through the cave, but in the dry season it’s possible to hike through to the other side.

**Caves Branch**
Float in rubber tubes deep within the Caves Branch River system. Cave tubing is a unique and exciting way to explore the underworld of Belize. Perfect stop coming or going to the international airport.

**St. Herman’s Cave**
Located in Blue Hole National Park, and easily accessible.

**Barton Creek Cave**
The high ceilings and beautiful stalactite formations make this one of the most photographed caves in Belize. It is unique in that it is accessible only by canoe.
At Mystic River, we have an extensive on-site private trail system of over 10 miles throughout our nearly 200 acres of farm and jungle land. A series of trails takes you through our pastures and deep into the jungle, to scenic overlooks, hidden valleys, and ancient Maya settlements right here at Mystic River. Enjoy hiking, bird watching, or horseback riding for a one-of-kind and private tour in the Belizean jungle.

BIRDWATCHING

Whether your interest in birds is casual or intense, the variety and beauty of our winged friends will astound you. From Aracaris to Toucans, from Mot-Mots to Trogans, spending time trying to identify them all might require you to extend your stay with us!
HORSEBACK RIDING

What better way to experience the jungle than from the back of a horse! Whether you are a novice or an experienced rider, we will make sure you have the ride of your life. Come experience the beautiful flora and fauna of Belize, discover unexcavated Mayan sites, ride your horse to secluded waterfalls, be awed by the scenic beauty of our tropical forests. We have stables and six riding horses.
RIVER TRIPS at MYSTIC RIVER

CANOE TO SAN IGNACIO

Yearning to get out on the water? Rent a canoe from Mystic River Resort for a small fee, and paddle your way down to San Ignacio, a two hour river ride away. It’s one of the best bargains for adventure travel in Belize! We’ll be happy to pick you up once you arrive, or – should you decide to do a bit of shopping or visit some of our local artists – you can catch a taxi from the bustling market square back up to the resort. This can also be combined with a guided trip to Xunantunich and Cahal Pech after lunch at a local Belizean restaurant in town.
TUBING ON THE MACAL RIVER
Take one of our guided tubing tours up the river. We spend about an hour on the water, arriving back at Mystic River Resort. After all, this is your vacation and we are here to make sure you have a memorable time, whatever you decide to do to occupy your days in Belize. Ecotourism, adventure travel, or just plain relaxation – we’ll give you what you want on your Belize vacation!
TRANSPORTATION

All of our tours include transportation and equipment. Our guides will get you to your destination in a safe, comfortable, and timely manner.

Be it visiting a remote waterfall, a jungle hike, a river excursion, temple exploration, or an airport transfer, we will provide the best service in our private fleet of safe, air conditioned vehicles with professional drivers and guides.

The adventure begins here--the roads are bumpy, so be ready for what we call our “Belizean Massage”!

Toyota Hiace Van
A/C, comfortably seats 8. Perfect for airport transfers or longer road trips.

Polaris Crew Cab All Terrain Vehicle

Toyota Hilux 4-door Pick-Up Truck
A/C comfortably seats 4. Great for accessing the more off-the-beaten path locations and along rough roads.

Dodge Ram 4-door Pick-Up Truck

Ford Passenger Van
A/C, comfortably seats 12. Ideal for larger groups.
## TOUR PRICES AND DETAILS

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<td><strong>CAHAL PECH</strong></td>
<td>Short morning or afternoon excursion (can also be combined with canoe and</td>
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<td><strong>CARACOL</strong></td>
<td>Full day Maya ruin tour with stop at Rio On Pools for swimming.</td>
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<td><strong>TIKAL</strong></td>
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<td>**SAPODILLA</td>
<td>WATERFALL** A half day trip of rappelling or just relaxing and swimming.</td>
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<td>**HILLTOP OR</td>
<td>Blancaneaux** Half day underground adventure in one of two private caves</td>
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<td><strong>ATM CAVE</strong></td>
<td>Full day of adventure with our expert licensed guide in the ancient realm of</td>
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HORSEBACK TRAIL RIDE
Enjoy the jungle and pastures of our beautiful property from a unique perspective.
Price: US$20.00 per hour person
Difficulty: Easy

BIRDING AT MYSTIC TRAILS
(2 hrs. minimum) Enjoy the plethora of exotic birds which call our jungle their home. Best in early morning.
Price: US$15.00 per hour per person
Difficulty: Easy

TUBING THE MACAL RIVER
Describe the product or service here. Include a brief description and any features.
Price: US$30 per trip
Difficulty: Easy
Time: 1-2 hours

CANOE TO SAN IGNACIO
Describe the product or service here. Include a brief description and any features.
Price: US$20 per hour per person
Difficulty: Easy
Time: 2 hours

All prices subject to change
Prices subject to 10% service charge

All prices in US$ and per person unless otherwise noted

Lunch included with Tikal and all full day tours

WE ALSO OFFER AIRPORT TRANSFERS TO and FROM BELIZE CITY and TRANSFERS to THE CAYES as well as NUMEROUS MAINLAND DESTINATIONS
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