



BELIZE AGGRESSOR III AND BELIZE AGGRESSOR IV

A cruise on either yacht through one of Central America's small gems will have you saying, "Un-Belize-able!"

Coral atolls rise from an endless horizon of flat turquoise. Sheer walls are covered in corals and sponges; schools of jacks are so big you get lost inside.

This Caribbean locale, with warm, clear water, is easily accessible to divers of every skill level. And the world's second-largest barrier reef, running 600 miles along the coast of Belize and southern Mexico, is everything you'd expect it to be.

Belize has long been touted by divers, and the best of it lies offshore. The Mesoamerican Barrier Reef averages 20 miles from the Belize coast, making liveaboard diving the smartest option for exploring these spread-out atolls and wall dives.

Most of the sites on weekly itineraries of *Belize Aggressor III* and *Belize Aggressor IV* are walls, including Half Moon Caye Wall and Long Caye Wall.

Jump in, and what strikes

BOAT SPECS Length/Beam **BAIII** 110 feet/22 feet **BAIV** 138 feet/26 feet **Passenger-to-Staff Ratio** **BAIII** 18-6 **BAIV** 20-7 **Staterooms/beds** **BAIII** 9/17 **BAIV** 10/18 **Bathrooms** Staterooms have private head and shower, individual climate control and hair dryer **Sun Deck** Yes **Food/Beverages** Including local beer and wine



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HOME PORT

Belize City, Belize

DIVE SEASON

Year-round

DIVE CONDITIONS

78-82°F

TRAVEL TIP

Most Belize travelers add a stay in the jungle for extra adventure. Caving is one popular activity. You'll want a small to midsize daypack that can hold your gear and water. Look for a lightweight one that's made from water-resistant materials.

you first is the cobalt color of the water, as well as the 100 feet or more of visibility. Look to the edge of the wall to watch passing eagle rays, tarpon and blacktip sharks.

Look down on the reefs to find a host of critters. These ecosystems rank high among dive sites in the Caribbean for biodiversity due to the fact that much



Belize Aggressor III and Belize Aggressor IV [opposite] allow divers access to the clear blue waters and stunning wall dives along the Mesoamerican Barrier Reef, best accessible by liveaboard due to their distance from the coast. In between fine dining and relaxing on deck, guests have a lot of options for underwater exploration, from biodiverse reefs home to schools of highly sought-after tropical fish to night dives searching out hunting tarpon as well as favorites such as reef squid and octopuses.

of Belize's 200 mangrove islands remain untouched, acting as nurseries that serve to populate reefs with schools of black grouper, blue angelfish, creole wrasse, blue tangs, indigo hamlets, rainbow parrotfish and so much more.

One ecosystem that's often overlooked is the sea grass beds, a hotbed for macro life, which you'll see when diving with Aggressor guides. Here, they can point out rosy razorfish, yellow-head jawfish, a few species of nudibranchs and sea slugs, and more.

Night dives out on the atolls are as dramatic as the daytime dives. One popular nighttime dip at Uno Coco showcases a feeding frenzy as divers shine lights on the reef, aiding tarpon in their hunt for smaller fish.

This site, as well as other nighttime spots, is also rife with octopuses, lobsters, white-spotted toadfish and a host of other nocturnal critters on the hunt, such as reef squid.

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Howler monkeys, peccaries, jaguars and 300 tropical bird species are just the start of the reasons to add on a trip to the interior of Belize. Aggressor Travel can arrange your entire adventure, including a stay at Lamanai Landings Hotel and Marina in Tower Hill, offering over-the-water rooms with scenic views of Tower Hill Lagoon. In the morning, you can listen as the canopy comes alive with the chirping of colorful birds. In the evening, you can enjoy tranquil and romantic sunset views from your private balcony. All rooms have air conditioning, Wi-Fi, en suite bathroom with shower, and queen or king beds. Amenities include on-site car rentals, restaurant and bar, gift shop and 24-hour security.