

# But how much does a holiday to Belize cost?

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Belize is an expensive country to travel to, there's no getting away from it, unless you stay west and don't do anything. I'll tell you how much I'd spent in Belize, and how much more I was likely to spend if I stayed in the tourist areas of Caye Caulker.

## But how much does a holiday to Belize cost?



Overall in 20 days in Belize I spent £998.55 (£49.93 per day). A good 80% of that was spent on the island of Caye Caulker, where [I had a lot of fun](#). Before that I spent four days in Belize City without doing much. After Caye Caulker, and realising how much I'd spent, I decided to chill out in Benque on the Guatemalan / Belize border with work, life and exploring ruins for a few days until home time.

Belize is an awesome country that's definitely worth a visit, despite the price. I hope the Belize costs below give you an idea of what to expect to be handing over if you do decide to explore and just remember that the price you see there, isn't the price you pay. There's a 12% tax on top (included below) and to leave a 10% tip if they've given you a service.



## Belize City spends

- Taxi from the bus terminal to the Sea Breeze Hotel (5 minutes) \$10 / **£3.22**
- 70ml of water \$2 / **65p**
- Bus ride to the zoo \$3 / **97p**
- Entrance to Belize City Zoo \$30 / **£9.68**
- Sea Breeze Hotel room with shared bathroom \$50 per night/ **£16.12** (cheapest available and I'd only record cheap and safe and not much else!)
- Dental treatment \$220 / **£71** (not a cost you'll need, but just in case you wanted to know)



- Chicken fried rice Chinese meal \$15 / **£4.83** (Not a fan of Chinese food and didn't want to go out. It was all the hotel could offer. It was grim.)
- Celebrity restaurant meal with drink \$30 / **£9.67** (recommended by Lonely Planet, also grim.)
- Coffee and cinnamon bun at local nice café \$7 / **£2.26**
- Belikin beer at the Radisson Hotel \$2 / **65p**
- Return water taxi with Caye Caulker Crossings to Caye Caulker \$29/ **£9.35** (they do two a day)
- Bag from tourist town \$20/ **£6.45** (broke that day)

## Caye Caulker spends



- Dirty McNastys hostel in a 6-bed dorm with private bathroom \$32 per person
- Lobster dinner at Enjoy Restaurant \$22 / £7
- Chocolate bar \$2 / 65p (all the food from the shops in Caye Caulker tastes kind of off, just so you know.)
- PADI Open Water dive course with Frenchies Diving School \$800 / £256 (cheapest on the island)
- [Snorkelling at Caye Caulker Marine Reserve](#) \$70 / £22.40
- Water \$2 / 65p
- King Fish steak with rice and garlic bread at Enjoy Restaurant \$22 / £7
- Pulled pork dinner with three sides and four rum and cokes at Cubana Restaurant \$25 / £8



- Pizza big enough for 4 at Pizza Caulker \$35 / £11.20
- Coffee at Starbucks \$6 / £1.92
- Lobster fajita at Rainbow Restaurant on the water \$32 / £10.24
- Red snapper meal at Sombre dos Alos \$20 / £6.40 (you have to go here, Nadine the waitress is awesome)
- 1 litre of Belizean rum \$15 / £4.80
- 1 night's accommodation in a 5-bed room at Blue Wave Hotel with shared toilet outside \$22 / £7.04
- Belize water taxi back \$30 / £9.60 (because I queued at the wrong one to use my return ticket and there was no company for four hours)

## Benque spends



- 3-hour bus from Belize City to Benque \$9 / **£2.88**
- 1 night's accommodation in a 3-bed room at Benque Resort with private bathroom \$26 / **£8.33**
- Rice and beans, stewed chicken and salad \$6 / **£1.92**
- **Fryjacks**, eggs and beans \$6 / **£1.92**
- Papaya smoothie \$3 / **96p**
- Coffee \$1 / **32p**
- 750ml water \$1 / **32p**
- Fajita dinner at the park cafe \$3 / **96p** (this was *absolutely* delicious, had to go back again)



- Creamy raspberry cake \$3 / **96p**
- Can of pineapple \$2.75 / **88p**
- Banana bread from street seller \$1 / **32p**
- Entrance to Xunantunich Mayan Ruins \$10 / **£3.20**
- Ferry to Xunantunich \$3 / **96p**
- 2 bananas for 25¢ / **8p**
- A burrito, 3 empanadas and an orange juice \$4 / **£1.28!**
- Belikin beer \$2 / **64p**

All the food I had in Benque and Caye Caulker was delicious (bar the lobster fajita, wasn't sure on that) and in Belize it was cheap it was!

In Caye Caulker I chose not to go and see the Blue Hole – the number one thing to do in Belize – because it was f

for 14 hours from 5:30am. The weather when I was in Belize was just too unpredictable and it would go from sun to rain in minutes. I just didn't fancy it. Maybe I'll regret it in the future, but I'm sure I can live with it.

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