# **About BelizeINVEST**

#### Who we are:

The BelizeINVEST team provides tailored services to local and foreign investors seeking to foster development and to link investors to opportunities in Belize.

#### **Our Core Services:**

- Providing establishment compliance guidance and investment packaging support;
- Providing guidance to access intellectual capital that is required to make business happen;
- Coordinating and facilitating "project-specific" inbound site visits and investment mission;
- Promoting investment opportunities through investment forums and events;
- Expending recommendations to enhance the ease of doing business in Belize.

#### **Clients Commitment to us:**

- You are responsible for matters pertaining to the development of your company.
- You are to secure contracts, financial and or intellectual capital, including applicable real estate for your development
- You are to complete all relevant documents, proposals and/or business plans pertaining to your development
- You are to complete the requisite compliance procedures pertaining to your development.

# **Inbound Visits Information:**

The BelizeINVEST team aims to tailor and facilitate visits with optimum productivity. Please honor the following steps should you wish to conduct an inbound visit to Belize.

#### How to book an investment visit/mission?

Booking an Investment mission is easy! Follow these four steps to begin.

- 1. Fill out Client Intake Form INV01
- 2. Submit a Business Proposal or Concept Note
- 3. Complete Participants Form INV04
- Coordinate with the designated BelizeINVEST Investment Associate to finalize a meeting Itinerary.

#### **Obligations:**

When participating in inbound visits, both BelizeINVEST and the Project Developer are expected to meet the following obligations.

#### **BELTRAIDE**

- To secure meetings highlighted in the mutually-agreed itinerary.
- To provide on-spot business establishment guidance with a BelizeINVEST Investment Associate, where applicable.

### **Project Developer:**

- To cover any additional logistical cost apart from transport between meetings.
- To cover the cost of accommodation, bookings, and meals while in Belize.

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# **Know Before You Go - BELIZE**

## **Getting Here**

The Philip S.W. Goldson International Airport (PGIA) is the premier international airport of Belize. PGIA is located only 10 miles from Belize City.

American Airlines	+(501) 225-4145	www.aa.com
Avianca	+(501) 225-2163	www.taca.com
Delta	+(501) 225-3423	www.delta.com
Maya Island Air	800-225-6732	www.mayaairways.com
Tropic Air	+(501) 226-2012	www.tropicair.com
United	800-226-3822	www.united.com
US Airways	800-622-1015	www.usairways.com

Operating Hours are from 6:00 AM to 6:00 PM

## **Passports, Visas/ Entry Requirements**

Visas are not required for citizens of the United States and its territories, Canada, United Kingdom and its territories, European Union, Caribbean and Central American Countries. Please consult before visit.

# **Getting Around**

Traveling around Belize is fast and easy! Several options such as Taxi/Charter Services, Auto Rentals, and Domestic Flights are readily available to make your trip smooth and exciting!

#### **Taxi/Charter Services:**

At the Airports, Taxi Service is available for transportation to Belize City.

Contact #: +1-(501)-610-4450

Around Belize City and other Districts, taxi service is also available. Rates range from BZD \$7.00 and higher depending on the distance travelled and district you are in.

#### **Auto Rental**

Several Auto Rental Services are located at the Car Park at the PGIA. Cell Phone Rentals are also available, check with your local auto renter for more details.

For a full listing on Auto Rentals kindly visit: http://www.pgiabelize.com/shopping.htm

## **Domestic Flights**

Domestic Flights are available daily! For travel info, flight schedules, or reservations, visit the websites: https://www.tropicair.com/w1/http://www.mayaislandair.com/

## **Accommodation**

Belize offers a variety of hotels that will make your stay extra special! For a listing of the various Hotels, Resorts and other accommodations kindly visit the following websites:

https://www.travelbelize.org/accommodation www.belizehotels.org

When booking reservations, kindly note hotel reservation and cancellation policies or ask our BelizeINVEST team to attach any relevant hotel policies on investment itineraries.

#### Currency \$

Belize currency exchange is easy! The Belize dollar is pegged at \$2 BZD to \$1 USD. Hotel accommodations are typically listed in \$USD prices, and most restaurants, shops etc. are listed in \$BZD prices.

#### Banking/ATM \$

There are several banks with branches throughout the country, namely Belize Bank Ltd, Scotiabank Ltd, Atlantic Bank Ltd, and Heritage Bank.

**Banking Hours**: Mon – Fri 8:00am – 3:30pm Most Banks are closed on Saturdays and on Public and Bank Holidays.

ATMs are also available across the country, particularly in most tourist destinations- including Placencia, Punta Gorda, Belmopan, Dangriga, Belize City, San Pedro Ambergris Caye, Caye Caulker, Orange Walk, San Ignacio and Corozal.

## Weather

With an average yearly temperature of 84° F (29°C), it's always warm yet comfortable. Winter (November-March) temperatures in Belize rarely falls below 60°F (16°C), while the summer (May-September) is around 86°F (30°C). Humidity is also fairly consistent at around 85%. Dress Comfortably!

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