

# THE FAMILY HIDEAWAYS™

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## CORAL CAYE FAQs

### What is Coral Caye?

- CORAL Caye is YOUR PRIVATE island experience. It is an exclusive experience on a 2 acre island, located 8 miles from Placencia – about a 20 mins boat ride.

The ideal stay is 3 + nights. Great for:

- Couples looking for a romantic break
- Small families
- Larger family/friends groups – who would expand into the great house and/or pitch tents on the island
- Somewhere to celebrate a special occasion (birthday, anniversary etc...)



### What type of accommodations are on Coral Caye?

#### New Dwelling (Coral Cottage)

- One bed cottage with a king bed, and a living room with a sleeper sofa (1 adult or 2 small kids). Divided by a wall, (but is open on top –not very private - not ideal for two couples)
- Standard Occy: 2 adults, Max Occy: 3 adults OR 2 adults + 2 small kids
- Ideal for small family or a couple
  - Walk in shower
  - Electrical sockets
  - Robes
  - iHome/alarm
  - Own Bathroom/Toilet
  - Fans
  - Coffee
  - Bathroom with hot water
  - Cookie Jar
  - No air conditioning
  - No TV
  - No bathtub
  - No screen porches. The cottage itself is screened.
  - No mini bar. The full bar is in the Great House.

#### Original Dwelling (Seahorse Cottage)

- Cottage with 3 separate rooms (a queen bed, and two full size single beds). All open above, so no noise privacy. There is a veranda in the front and back
- Standard Occy: 4 pax
  - No en suite bathroom. This has an outhouse bathroom.
  - The shower has no heater – so only cold water.

#### Great House

- This is a big open space with a kitchen, bar, dining room and a day bed. It can be converted to be another guest house, and dwelling for a 2nd couple/ or bigger group

- Sand floor
- No shower . Only a bathroom that has toilet and sink.

Additional accommodation setup (extra charges may apply)

- Dock a catamaran – you can sleep onboard
- Pitch tents (2 persons/tent) on the beach/ under a palapa

### **How many maximum people can stay overnight on the island/caye?**

In total, it is possible to sleep up to 12 persons – if they are not afraid to sleep in alternative sleeping settings with a camping element.

### **How do you get to CORAL CAYE?**

Our boat Gia will take up to 8 passengers and supplies. ( Suggested to arrive timely so the boat can arrive on the island before dark) The boat will have a bathroom, water, snacks, alcohol. The boat docks on the west side of the island. Guests receive the typical Turtle Inn welcome (cold towel, welcome drink) by Alberto. Gia will be docked at the island. Guests can also sail to the island with charter sail boats from The Moorings at an additional cost.

### **What if there are severe weather issue/ guest delay flights etc, and the boat can't depart from the dock?**

We will do our best to accommodate guests at Turtle Inn.

### **What if guests want to boat into village for lunch, shopping or dinner etc and come back – can they and what is cost?**

Guests can go into the village at a cost. Cost will be the normal snorkel trip cost. Our recommendation, however is to enjoy the village while staying at Turtle Inn and use the Caye for your snorkeling, fishing and relaxing base camp.

### **Can guests arrange snorkeling/fishing trips?**

Guests can also arrange all the same activities as at TI: snorkeling, fishing at the reef. The cost would be the same as on the tour sheet, just a different pickup location. Activities around the island are included, but trips further out will be charged.

### **Who is Alberto and what is his role?**

Alberto is the island's caretaker and also a boat captain. He has been on the island for years and knows everything about it. Some days his wife is also around. Alberto can assist with day-to-day inquiries/ activities. However, he is not a butler/chef. He will cook meals/set up coffee in the Great House, but he does not serve or offer room service. He will also do some basic housekeeping in the rooms daily.

### **What if guests want room service etc?**

You can upgrade your experience with a private attendant/ butler or chef. They will stay in the older Dwelling – the Seahorse cottage.

### **Can guests cook their own food?**

Yes, guests can use the kitchen themselves and cook their own food, but the price will not change. The caretaker/ supplies will already have to be there.

**Will there be Coppola Wine stocked at the bar?**

No. If guests want wines, these will need to be pre-ordered. Turtle Inn concierge will send out a questionnaire for guests to fill out prior to check in.

**Is there laundry service?**

No – there is no washing machine on the island.

**Is there housekeeping?**

Alberto will do a basic room refresh daily, but no turndown service.

**Do we allow pets on the island?**

Yes. We are dog friendly. There is a pet already on the island – Thunder – and he is very friendly.

**What amenities are there on the island?**

We will have Cookie Jar, canoes, snorkeling equip, suntan lotion, bug spray, mosquito nets, hammocks, lounge chairs, games, fishing rods, picnic table shaded, outdoor showers, music, drums and guitars, games, and kids toys.

**Is there WiFi or cell service?**

There is WiFi, and cell phone (spotty but they work)

**Are there sandflies?**

There are very little sandflies. In fact, comments are that it is less buggy than the mainland.

**What about Security, and Emergencies?**

Alberto is the security as well. In any event of an emergency, he will assist. Gia will be docked at the island, so that you are back at Turtle Inn in 25 mins. There is also a first aid box.

**Is there drinking water?**

Yes, there is filtered water – we will be using eco filters.

**Is electricity provided by generator? Is it fickle? Can guests use hair dryers etc?**

There is also a solar system on site, so there is electricity.

**Can we arrange for massage therapists at extra charge?**

Yes.

**Do we offer weddings?**

No weddings, unless it is a very simple ceremony with just the bride, groom and celebrant.

**Can you see any other islands from CORAL CAYE?**

You can see Lark Caye, Long Caye, Bird Island, Mojo Caye. About ½ mile away.

**Are there any conservation practices?**

Solar power, Catching rainwater, Coral restoration programs, Mangrove restoration

### **What is the ideal length of stay?**

4 days/3 nights is a wonderful experience. Time to relax and experience it.

- Once-in-a-lifetime
- No roads, no cars, no bikes, no paths
- Uninhabited
- Fisherman's paradise
- Fantastic stargazing

### **CORAL CAYE RATES 2016**

**2016 Rates from:** USD 895.00 to 1495.00 USD per night + 19% tax/sc , dependent on dates chosen

**Standard Occupancy:** 2 pax

Each additional person (12 yrs old and over): USD 200.00 + 19% tax/sc. Kids under 12 stay for free  
2 night min stay all year (except Holiday when min stay will be 3 or 4 nights)

#### **INCLUDED IN ISLAND RENTAL RATE:**

- Continental Belizean breakfast: Coffee/Tea, fresh bread, eggs, beans, tortillas, fresh fruit, juices.
- Various lunch options consisting of salads, tortillas, sandwiches, Rice & beans, chicken, fresh fruits
- Fresh seasonal seafood dinners, salads & sides OR a BBQ creole chicken grill.
- All dietary restrictions accommodated
- Filtered water and a personal stainless steel water bottle for all to keep.
- Boat transfer to and from island to Turtle Inn Dock

#### **OPTIONAL EXTRAS:**

- Private Attendant/Butler (in addition to the island caretaker): USD 150.00++ a day extra
- Private chef (in addition to the island caretaker): USD 150.00++ a day extra
- Special request grocery store items: Retail price + 20% provisioning fee
- Beers, Imports, Coppola Wine from our cellar: Menu price + 20% provisioning fee
- Off island fishing tours with guide: as per our Activities Rate Sheet
- Boat trips (Snorkeling and Diving): as per our Activities Rate Sheet