PRIVATE ISLAND RESORT RENTAL · BELIZE BARRIER REEF, BELIZE

RAY CAYE



7.4 ACRES · 20 ROOMS & VILLAS · UP TO 50 GUESTS · PRIVACY 56 — SECLUDED, SHARED ISLAND

A rental brochure from Private Islands Inc — the island, its reef, and what a stay really costs.



THE ISLAND

A working reef island, kept easy

Ray Caye is a 7.4-acre private island resort on the edge of the Gladden Spit and Silk Cayes Marine Reserve, inside the Belize Barrier Reef. Nearly a mile of shoreline wraps a flat, palm-covered caye — sand paths between the villas, and the reef a short swim from the dock.

Twenty accommodations — oceanfront villas, honeymoon suites, cabanas and island house rooms — host up to 50 guests at a full house. It is a shared island rather than a buyout-only hideaway: lively around the Lionfish Bar & Grill at lunch, quiet at the far ends of the beach by evening.

The island runs largely on its own power — a substantial solar array with Tesla Powerwall storage — and makes its own water by desalination. Overnight guests keep The Cove, a private pool and bar area, to themselves; day visitors come only by reservation and are limited to set parts of the island. Book the Full Island Rental and the island closes to day guests altogether.



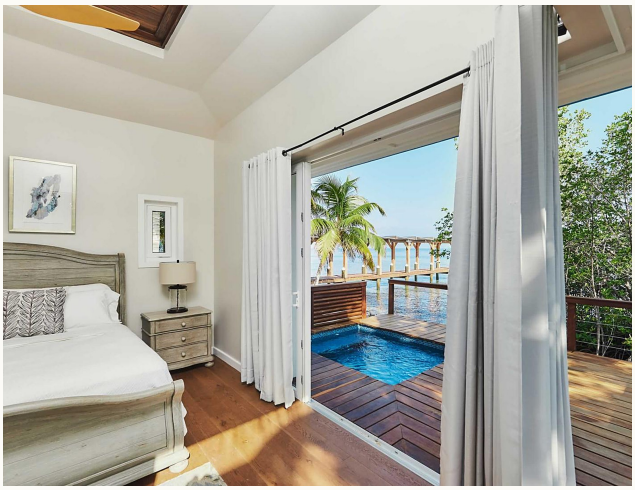
ACCOMMODATION

Twenty ways to sleep by the sea

Four styles of accommodation are spread along the shoreline and through the gardens — every one of them a few steps from the water.

- **Oceanfront Villas** — one to three bedrooms, full kitchens, private plunge pools.
- **Honeymoon Suites** — two tucked-away suites made for couples.
- **Oceanfront Cabanas** — classic beach cabanas right on the sand.
- **Island House Rooms** — comfortable ocean-view rooms, the simplest way in.

The villas suit families and groups travelling together; the suites and cabanas are the couples' end of the island. Air conditioning, en-suite bathrooms and daily housekeeping come as standard throughout.







DINING & ISLAND LIFE

The Lionfish table — and how it is priced

The Lionfish Bar & Grill, the island's overwater restaurant, serves breakfast, lunch and dinner — fresh-caught seafood (the signature plate is lionfish, the reef pest turned delicacy), produce from the island's own organic garden, and a bar that runs from the first coffee to the last sunset round.

One thing to know before you book: Ray Caye lets its rooms without meals. Most guests add the island's optional meal plan — a breakfast item, a lunch item with homemade gelato, and a three-course dinner each day, taxes included — while children under ten simply order as they go. The Private Briefing on page 9 adds the plan into a full worked stay cost, so there are no surprises at checkout.

Days fill easily. Pirate Reef Divers, the island's own PADI dive shop, runs the reserve's reefs; a saltwater slide drops straight into the lagoon; Hobie Cats, kayaks and paddleboards are complimentary. For slower hours there is a spa, a yoga studio and a fitness centre — and always another stretch of empty beach.

THE REGION

The reef at Gladden Spit

South of the island the reef bends at Gladden Spit, where the Silk Cayes Marine Reserve protects some ten thousand hectares of coral, turtle grass and sudden drop-offs — the wild edge of the inner reef.

From March to June, whale sharks gather at the Spit to feed where the snappers spawn — one of the few places on earth where the largest fish in the sea can be met, reliably and in season, on a single boat ride.

The island's own house reefs begin at the dock, and the Silk Cayes' snorkelling grounds are ten minutes away. Further off lie Laughing Bird Caye's protected faro and the atolls beyond the reef wall.

On the mainland, Placencia anchors the peninsula — a fishing village grown into a barefoot resort town of Creole kitchens and beach bars — and behind it rise the Maya Mountains and the jaguar preserve at Cockscomb Basin.



GETTING THERE

Belize City, Placencia, then out to the reef

BELIZE CITY (BZE)

The international gateway — flights from US and regional hubs into Philip Goldson International.

DOMESTIC FLIGHT

Belize City to Placencia in about 45 minutes. The island can arrange the domestic flights for you.

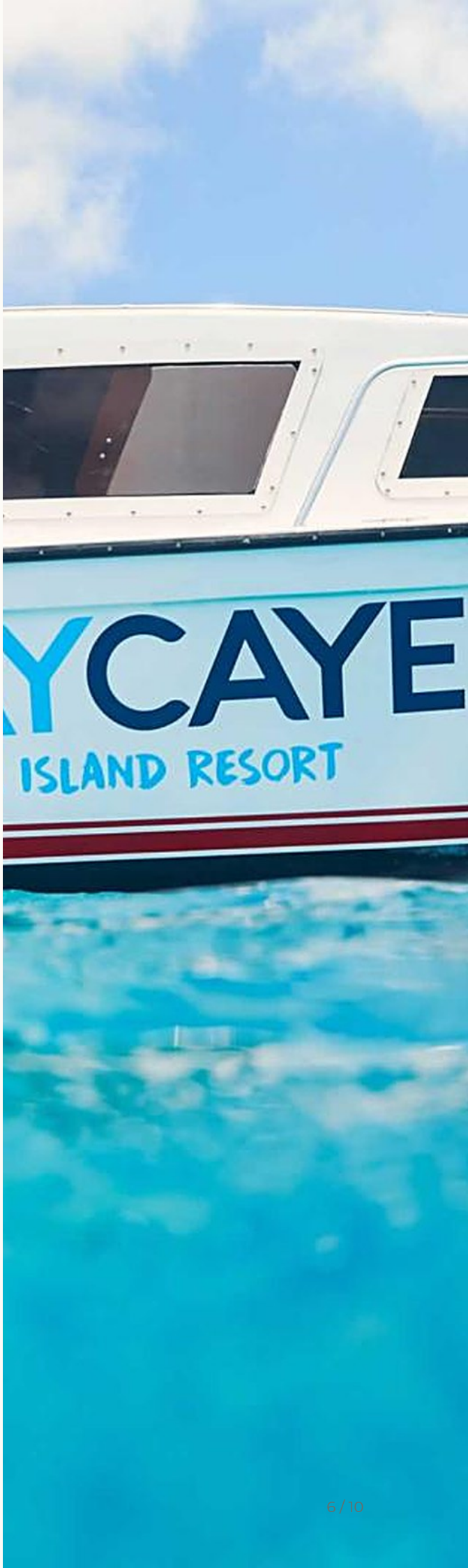
ORCHID RAY MARINA

A short ground transfer meets the flight — the marina on the Placencia peninsula is the boat's mainland home.

THE ISLAND BOAT

About an hour across the lagoon to the Ray Caye dock. The boat runs once daily, latest departure 3.00 pm; its published per-person price is itemised in the Private Briefing.

Miss the day's boat and the night is spent in Placencia — build the connection with slack.





CLIMATE & SEASONS

Warm water, all year

SEASON	AIR – DAY	AIR – NIGHT	SEA
Peak dry season (Dec–Mar)	81–84°F / 27–29°C	70°F / 21°C	80–81°F / 27°C
Spring (Apr–May)	86–88°F / 30–31°C	74–76°F / 23–24°C	82–83°F / 28°C
Summer (Jun–Aug)	88–90°F / 31–32°C	77°F / 25°C	84–85°F / 29°C
Autumn (Sep–Nov)	86–90°F / 30–32°C	73–76°F / 23–24°C	83–85°F / 28–29°C

The Placencia coast runs on trade winds and two soft seasons: a drier stretch from about December to May, and a greener, quieter one from June, when short heavy showers — often at night — keep the island lush. September and October are the calmest, warmest-water months, and the likeliest for tropical weather.

Whale shark season at Gladden Spit runs March to June — the island's signature wildlife window, and the weeks that book first.

Climate normals for the Placencia area (WeatherSpark, drawing on Belize City airport records and regional stations).



Locator map — Ray Caye and the Belize coast. Distances straight-line, approximate.

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Edge of the Gladden Spit & Silk Cayes Marine Reserve · 16.47°N, 88.07°W

DISTANCES – STRAIGHT LINE

Placencia	20 mi
Belize City (BZE Intl)	76 mi

CLIMATE

Summer high (Sep avg)	90°F / 32°C
Winter low (Jan avg)	70°F / 21°C
Sea temperature	80–85°F year-round

ACCESS

Domestic flight Belize City–Placencia, ~45 min

Ground transfer to Orchid Ray Marina

Island boat ~1 hr; departs once daily (latest 3 pm)

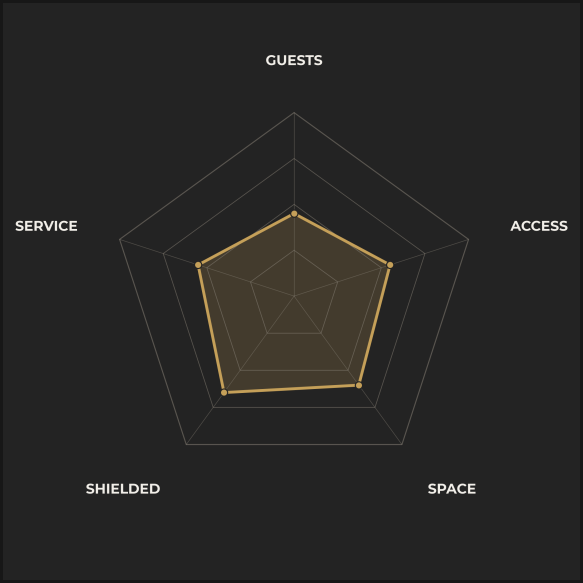
Straight-line distances, approximate, computed from the island's position. Island coordinates: PII listing map pin, checked against OpenStreetMap. Climate: Placencia regional normals (WeatherSpark).

THE PRIVATE BRIEFING

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SECLUDED, SHARED ISLAND

PRIVACY INDEX · OUT OF 100



WHO ELSE IS THERE — 9 / 20

A shared resort island — up to 50 guests across 20 rooms and villas at a full house.

WHO CAN GET IN — 11 / 20

Day visitors come only by reservation and are held to set areas; overnight guests keep The Cove.

SPACE TO DISAPPEAR — 12 / 20

7.4 acres and nearly a mile of shoreline — room to spread out, shared with fellow guests.

OUT OF SIGHT, SOUND & TRAFFIC — 13 / 20

Well offshore in the reef lagoon — mainland lights and noise left behind; passing boats only.

INVISIBLE SERVICE — 11 / 20

A resident staff of about fifty runs the resort in the open — service on hand, not hidden away.

How we score: five factors, 20 points each, from the island's position and layout, its access arrangements and its guest reviews. The method is published and applied the same way to every island in the collection — so scores can be compared like for like.

ALL-IN PRICING — THE STAY, ITEMISED

Ray Caye publishes its room rates and its extras separately — this is what they add up to.

ITEM	BASIS	AMOUNT
Island Room — Ocean View	USD 350.00 × 5 nights	1,750.00
Shared boat transfer, Placencia return	USD 225.00 × 2 guests	450.00
Meal plan (optional)	USD 110.00 × 2 guests	1,100.00
Taxes & fees on the room	10% service + 9% tax	332.50

ESTIMATED TOTAL — 5 NIGHTS, 2 GUESTS **USD 3,632.50**

A worked estimate from the island's published figures (raycaye.com, checked Oct 2026). Season and room type move the total — the exact quote for your dates is on the live listing (QR, right).



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