

# BELIZE

## TURNEFFE FLATS LODGE

Permit Capital of the Caribbean



Image: SEPP FLICHS

**T**he Turneffe Atoll is the largest coral atoll in the western hemisphere and as such it has long offered fantastic saltwater fishing opportunities. Less well known is the fact that probably more Permit are caught and released at this location than at any other we are aware of. Combined with good numbers of large migratory Tarpon it offers one of the best opportunities to achieve a coveted Grand Slam: a Bonefish, Permit and Tarpon all caught in one day.

Under the same ownership for over 25 years, Turneffe Flats lodge has collected some of the most experienced guides in Belize. All English-speaking, they are as patient as they are dedicated. The fishing tends to be a mix between poling for Permit on the ocean flats and the inner

lagoon, wading the numerous ocean flats for Bonefish and seeking out Tarpon, Snook and Barracuda in the creeks, channels and lagoons. In addition the reef that runs north to south along the eastern shoreline provides anglers with opportunities for Snappers and Jacks.

Alongside the superb fishing that is on offer is an equally entertaining atoll adventure programme allowing non-fishing partners a chance to experience the beauty of Turneffe from a different perspective. With superb diving to complement the packages on offer in conjunction with first class accommodation, it makes a stay here much more than just an anglers' retreat.



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### The Accommodation

As far as saltwater fishing lodges go, Turneffe Flats is one of the most comfortable and well established. It has developed from an aspiration into a lodge of world repute. Idyllically located with wadeable flats ten meters from your porch, it consists of four individual chalets, each containing two very spacious double rooms with private bathroom, air conditioning and ocean-fronted veranda. All are eastwards facing to catch the morning sunrise. In addition there are two larger villas with their own sitting room, which are ideal for families or groups. The main lodge has a central dining room, small shop and a fully stocked bar capable of providing the most exotic of cocktails.

### Best Time To Go

For those specifically wishing to target the migratory Tarpon the season runs from April-September, with the best fishing over June, July and August. Permit and Bonefish are also available all year round, although the more settled weather conditions between April and August make these the prime months.

### Wise Men Tips

With genuine opportunities at Permit, Bonefish and Tarpon, which can be in excess of 150lbs, it pays to have all your rods rigged and ready to go at a moments notice.

### Client Comments

"This is a marvelous place to take your spouse if you want her to have a great time..the lodge offers an "atoll adventure" package that is great..Abel the guide took excellent care of my wife and she had a super time, (she forgot I was even there!) so I could fish happy knowing she was having a great time....fantastic!"

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## TRIP DETAILS

Season:	<b>All Year</b>
Fish Species:	<b>Permit, Tarpon and Bonefish.</b>
Tackle:	<b>7-8 wt bonefish rod, 9-10 wt permit rod, 11-12 wt tarpon rod</b>
Clothing:	<b>Tropical flats clothing with suitable sun protection, Polaroids and firm bottomed flats wading boots</b>
Rate:	<b>See separate rate card for latest prices. 2-for-1 offers available during low season.</b>

Package includes:

- **Seven nights accommodation**
- **Six days guided fishing**
- **Transport on arrival at Belize International Airport**
- **All meals, board and lodging.**

Lodge Capacity: **18 anglers**

Getting there: **Fly into Belize International Airport, followed by a short bus journey and a 1 hr boat trip to the atoll.**

Want to see more?: **DVD available on request**



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