

# Belize



Belize is a small country on the coast of Central America. It has clear blue water full of a lot of cool creatures like sea turtles, nurse sharks, octopuses, squid and even manatees. Sometimes you can see sea horses and touch sting rays. There is also a huge blue hole in the ocean off the coast of Belize. It's over 1,000 feet deep!



Feeding and snorkelling with the sharks



We also went snorkelling and saw a lot of sea animals including sharks. We even went on a night snorkelling tour and saw sea urchins, squid and even an octopus!

**In Belize, they speak English. This is interesting because it is the only country in central America that speaks mainly English.**



**Belize has palm trees everywhere and they're usually full of coconuts! You can get coconuts anywhere, even on the side of the road!**



# Caves



**ATM cave or in Mayan language, “Actun Tunichil Muknal”**



**Belize has a lot of caves and I went to one of them! We had to swim through 3 rivers just to get to the cave. Then we had to swim through even more water to explore inside. In the cave there were bats, insects and crystals. There were even stalactites which are rocks made from water dripping from the ceiling over millions of years. It was really hard to get through the cave because we had to crawl up and over big rocks. When we got deeper into the cave, we saw pottery that the Mayan people made over 3,000 years ago!**



**We went to an iguana sanctuary and met an iguana called Iggy. We got to touch and hold them. Their skin was bumpy, but they were so friendly. In the sanctuary they had a different room full of baby iguanas that we also got to hold. They loved to crawl around us, even on our heads.**