

# Best of Belize Species List | February 8 – 17, 2025 with Naturalist Journeys



**Compiled by guide Chris Harbard with local guides Michael, Eduardo and Levy.  
Our clients included Jeff, Jennifer, George, Janice, Terri, Elissa, Eric and Christina.**

Two guests arrived early and joined Chris for a night at Black Orchid Lodge on the Belize River. The rest of the group met up at Bird's Eye View the following day where we spent two nights. We enjoyed two trips out accompanied by local guide Michael and the other walks with Chris. We then journeyed by road and boat to Lamanai Outpost Lodge where we spent three nights with trips out accompanied by local guide Eduardo, visiting Indian Church (local village), the Lamanai Archaeological Reserve, New River, and Dawson's Creek Savannah. A long drive then took us to Chan Chich Lodge where we spent three nights. Local guide Levy led us on walks into the forest, and excellent drives into the wider countryside.

BIRDS: 242 species were recorded of which five were heard only, seven were Yucatan endemics and 2 were introduced. Details are included below.

The eBird link below details the 242 species of birds our group observed during the tour. If you're new to eBird, be sure to click "Show All Details" on the right side of the list to expand the report and reveal where and when each of the birds were seen and how many.

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Following is a list of the mammals, reptiles, amphibians and butterflies we were fortunate to observe during the trip.

## **MAMMALS (10 species recorded)**

**Proboscis Bat** *Rhynchonycteris naso*—  
**Greater Sac-winged Bat** *Saccopteryx bilineata*—  
**Yucatan Black Howler Monkey** *Alouatta pigra*—  
**Central American Spider Monkey** *Ateles geoffroyi*—  
**Yucatan Squirrel** *Sciurus yucatanensis*—  
**Central American Agouti** *Dasyprocta punctata*—  
**White-tailed Deer** *Odocoileus virginianus*—  
**White-nosed Coati** *Nasua narica*—  
**Neotropical Otter** *Lontra longicaudus*—  
**Gray Fox** *Urocyon cinereoargenteus*—

## **REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS (12 species recorded)**

**Morelet's Crocodile** *Crocodylus moreletii*—  
**Asian House Gecko** *Hemidactylus frenatus* **(I)**—  
**Ghost Anole** *Anolis lemurinus*—  
**Green Iguana** *Iguana iguana*—  
**Black Spiny-tailed Iguana** *Ctenosaura similis*—  
**Brown Basilisk** *Basiliscus vittatus*—  
**Speckled Racer** *Drymobius margaritiferus*—  
**Boa Constrictor** *Boa constrictor*—  
**Giant Toad** *Rhinella horribilis*—  
**Mexican Smilisca** *Smilisca baudinii*—  
**Central American Gulf Coast Toad** *Incilius valliceps*—  
**Campbell's Rainforest Toad** *Incilius campbelli*—

**BUTTERFLIES (21 species recorded)**

**Polydamas Swallowtail** *Battus polydamas*—  
**Florida White** *Appias drusilla*—  
**Cloudless Sulphur** *Phoebis sennae*—  
**Mimosa Yellow** *Eurema nise*—  
**Western Pygmy Blue** *Brephidium exilis*—  
**Monarch** *Danaus plexippus* —  
**Queen** *Danaus gilippus*—  
**Julia Heliconian** *Dryas iulia*—  
**Gray Cracker** *Hamadryas februa*—  
**Red Cracker** *Hamadryas amphinome*—  
**Malachite** *Siproeta stelenes*—  
**Banded Peacock** *Anartia fatima*—  
**White Peacock** *Anartia jatrophae*—  
**Shaded-blue Leafwing** *Preponas laertes*—  
**One-spotted Prepona** *Archaeoprepona demophon*—  
**Pale Owl-Butterfly** *Caligo telamonius*—  
**Dusky Owl-Butterfly** *Caligo illioneus*—  
**Thamrya Satyr** *Taygetis thamrya*—  
**Hermes Satyr** *Hermeuptychia hermes* —  
**Mournful Duskywing** *Erynnis tristis*—  
**Tropical Checkered-skipper** *Pyrgus oileus*—