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# Wyndham Belize

## Quarterly July 2021

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### The Wyndham Grand 2021 Rediscovering Paradise

*Belize is still the top destination for US travellers who are looking for a fun and exciting Caribbean adventure. We have been referenced in many travel journals as the place to be..*

The Belize government, through the Belize Tourism Board (BTB) the main marketing arm for the Belizean tourism industry, has a revamped marketing plan and strategy for bringing Belize back to pre-COVID levels of visitors. They have been aggressively signing agreements to increase direct flights to Belize from major US cities and we can report that arrivals are 70% of pre-COVID levels.



# Letter from the Developer

## On Site and Reporting from Ambergris Caye

Another busy quarter and one that has been very positive in terms of making progress on many aspects of the project. We have expanded our construction crews and sourced more materials and equipment to keep the project moving forward. Living and working here on site has many advantages as it gives me first hand knowledge of the constraints and challenges the team has been working against on the project. Being here has allowed me to add weight to our decisions.

While the restrictions have been loosened and we have all adapted to the more controlled environment we are constantly reminded that the pandemic is not over and continues to impact how we do business and what we can expect to accomplish in any given day. The reduced staff counts at many of the financial institutions and government office means that paperwork takes longer to process, permissions longer to obtain and delays in productivity.

The international disruption in the global supply chain has not left Belize unscathed and our suppliers in Asia are having the same issues as other shippers in cargo transporting and meeting delivery dates. Many of the major retailers in both the construction and retail trade have expressed

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frustration getting their orders filled and delivered. This has caused some shortages in supplies. We all are hopeful that the future will resolve these issues and we can get back to a reliable supply stream and normal delivery dates.

It has been very gratifying to see our core of long-term employees maintain their positive attitudes and dedication to the completion of this project. They are as excited as we are about the progress we have been making and looking forward to being there on opening day and seeing the guests arrive and the Wyndham banner flying over the property.

Wyndham in 2021!

set the stage >>>

# New on The Caye

*As the Caye recovers from the lockdowns we are seeing many more restaurants opening up and some new attractions. Visitors are enjoying a resurgent Secret Beach and great new opportunities.*



## SECRET BEACH WATER PARK

A new attraction opened up on the Caye recently. The Secret Beach Water Park in a nice addition to the other fun activities visitors can experience while on the Caye. It offers a variety of water obstacles and of course great food and drinks!.

And There's MORE...

While COVID has prevented the usual Opening of Lobster Season street fair our Island restaurants have created the Lobster Crawl! Each day different restaurants around the Caye celebrate Lobster with specials. Visitors sign up for a card that records their Lobster journey and prizes are awarded.



## Magical Belize!

*The Maya of Ambergris Caye.*

Archiological data has placed the Maya, the first inhabitants of Ambergris Caye to about the year 1000 to 1200 CE!. Evidence has shown that they were very active on the island and may have numbered up to 50,000 people. More than we have today! And, unlike today it seems they were spread all throughout the island from the far north the way south. The island at the time was a major trading center for the coastal Maya.

## Construction Update!

*Progress is being made on many fronts and we have continued to get our first phase completed. Doors, windows, floors, railings and painting are being installed, laid, set and covered.*



*Work progresses on the main corridors and railings in the first phase buildings*

*For each detail the area has to be cleaned, plastered and prepared for painting*



*Our crew is giving their best to reach our goal!*

# *Windows, windows, & more windows!!*



# The People Behind the Project...

**Meet Carlos(Chicken) Vasques.** Chicken has been part of the of the Wyndham Venezia del Caribe family for the past 9 years. In fact this is his first and only job since leaving High School.

Carlos is a native born San Pedrano. His whole family was born and bred right here on the Caye and his 3 brothers and 4 sisters all call the Caye home to this day. How this engaging and funny 24 year old managed to ge the nick name "Chicken" he wouldn't say but he takes no offense at it and it sets him apart as one of our most colorful family members



**Currently** his main job is water logistics, making sure the construction effort has a ready supply of clean water both for the other workers to drink and for the construction process. Clean water is vital to proper concrete preparation. He also operates many of the heavy equipment we use on the site.

An avid soccer player and fan he plays when not fishing. His main goal at this point in his 24 years is to keep working, keep fishing and keep playing soccer. Chicken is keeping it real!

## final thoughts...

2021 is half over and life is returning to something resembling normal here on the Caye and er welcome the renewed opportunity to help all our family and investors to **LIVE THEIR BEST LIFE!**