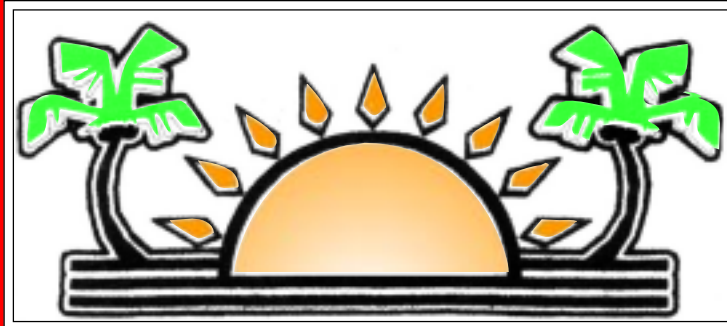


# THE SAN PEDRO SUN VISITOR GUIDE

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***- go beyond  
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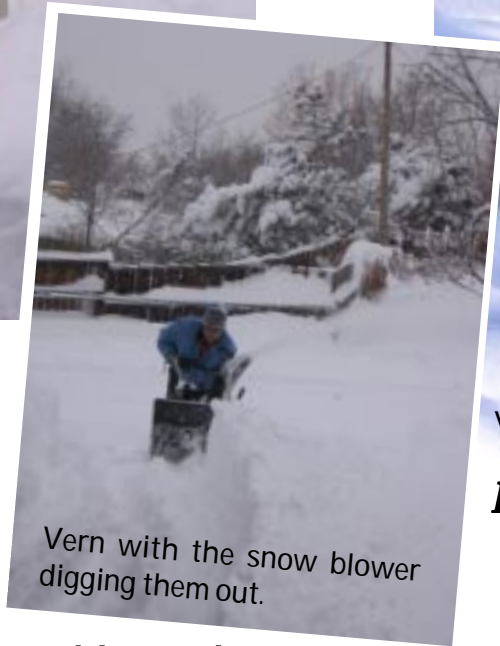
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*Sandy reading The San Pedro Sun after shoveling two plus feet of snow, wishing she was back on the beach in San Pedro.*



*Their back door before sunrise.*



*Vern with the snow blower digging them out.*



*Vern and Sandy Sanderson in Denver after the storm.*

**Vern and Sandy Sanderson** wrote us from Denver: "We had just gotten home from a wonderful vacation on Ambergris Caye, snorkeling near the reef, line zipping in the mountains, basking in the sun. A few days after arriving in Denver it snowed and snowed. We received 26 inches of snow in all. It was the worst blizzard that Denver has had in years. Denver was essentially shut down. Neither gas nor groceries could be delivered for days and there became shortages. One week later another storm came leaving us with 10 more inches. Wish we were in Belize!"

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## Greetings to my visiting friends



*taking sea life. San Pedro is also home to world-class fishing and scuba diving.*

*For the more adventurous, "La Isla Bonita" offers a wide array of water sports and for those looking to get a glimpse of the mystical world of the Maya, these historical ruins are just a short expedition*

*On behalf of the people of San Pedro Town, I extend a warm welcome to all visitors arriving to our shores. I assure you that your trip to "La Isla Bonita" will be no ordinary vacation. Our island is famous for its rich cultural diversity, where Mestizos, Creole and Garinagu blend to form a unique encounter. While here, I encourage you to explore the Caribbean Sea and find Belize's abundant treasures. Hol Chan Marine Reserve and Shark-Ray Alley are just two of the many spots where you can enjoy our coral reef formation and abundant and breath-*

*away. You will also be able to discover Belize's vast cave systems and many natural sanctuaries that are home to our country's unique flora and fauna.*

*Whether you are spending your honeymoon at an exclusive resort or looking for an adventurous, yet romantic escape, San Pedro is surely the place to be. I invite you to explore our home and see the many wonders it has to offer.*

*We welcome you with open arms. Bienvenidos a San Pedro!*

*Elsa Paz, Mayor,  
San Pedro Town*



# Snuba - go beyond snorkeling!



(Above) Herbert connects the breathing hose to Maria's regulator, which will allow her to breathe underwater.

(Below) Herbert watches Maria practice using her equipment before the Hol Chan tour begins.



There are many ways to explore and have a fabulous underwater adventure. One of the newest ways is making waves

and causing quite a stir. Snuba is a popular activity in tropical tourist locations such as Hawaii, and is now being intro-

duced to tourists and locals alike in Belize. Because of its relative ease and because one need not be certified to participate, Snuba is the hottest activity taking Ambergris Caye by storm.

A service provided by Discovery Expeditions, Snuba is combination of the words "snorkel" and "scuba". In it, the swimmer uses the fins, mask, and breathing apparatus commonly used in scuba diving, but the air tanks which are usually strapped to the back are instead laid horizontally in a rubber raft that remain on the water's surface.

Snuba is a great way for a certified diver to introduce non-certified partners to the underwater breathing experience.

Discovery Expeditions' friendly and professional staff takes great care of you. Even if you have never snorkeled or can't swim, Snuba diving is a great option for those wanting to explore the blue Caribbean waters. Herbert "Shawty," Discovery's able guide makes you feel so at ease, safe and secure that Snuba will certainly be one of the best and biggest experiences of your life.

Snuba is a popular form of "introductory diving" (diving done in the presence of a professional, insured guide, and following a very short lesson, but not requiring a SCUBA certification). Its popularity with first timers can be attributed to several factors: The beginner/customer is physically connected to a canoe-like rubber raft with a handle around

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From crooked trees to swaying palms, Miss Rose has put her skills to good use making countless beaded items in different shapes, colors and sizes!

Walking along the sandy beaches of San Pedro Town, there are countless opportunities of spotting the perfect "souvenir" to take back home. Things that fascinate the eye and are appealing to our individual tastes are the order of the day; available in any style or color. From hand made hammocks, towels, to exquisite wood carvings and various items influenced by cultures, you are guaranteed to find that precious item that would bring back fond memories of your stay in Belize. Belizeans are very unique people, one that with a little bit of creativity, enormous imagination and a dedication for a certain skill, goes a long way. *The Sun* caught up with some laborious individuals who share their artworks and dedication and have manifested them into an honest living here in Ambergris Caye.

One such character needs no introduction for she is well known on the island as "Miss Rose," beading and hair braiding extraordinaire. Rosanna Rhaburn hails from the quaint village of Crooked Tree in the Belize District, and has been

living on the island for several years. Her passion for hair braiding and beading has brought her fame for her work and repeat customers. But that is not her only trade; Miss Rose specializes in one-of-a-kind necklaces, anklets, bracelets made out of colorful beads, shells, etc., as well.

Growing up Miss Rose remembers spending lots of time gathering old shoes or items that had beads and taking them apart to create her own art pieces. "I grew up with four sisters and found myself doing my own things. I used to braid my sister's hair every time and that's when I started to learn and incorporate many styles and designs. In doing this I developed inspiration and got encouraged to explore this avenue. I have been doing this for over 11 and a half years," she commented. After much practice and knack for the trade, Miss Rose made a bold move and relocate to La Isla Bonita where she began her new journey in life. On the sandy shores, Miss Rose keeps a stand where she flashes her most wonderful creations of splendid hand made jewelry. The dazzling array of colors is appealing to the eye and draws one's attention, forcing you to make a stop at her laid back corner on the beach.

Whilst checking out her collection of great accessories, you can also get your hair done. This is not a salon but sure is one way in getting your hair braided and donned for a special occasion. With charisma and passion for the trade, Miss Rose takes braiding to a whole new level.

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its perimeter, giving a feeling of safety, and the option to hold onto the raft while staying with the group and dive guide; the weight of the gear carried by the be-

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## Discover Snuba

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a buoyancy compensator, weights, cylinder and often more, and can weigh in excess of 60 pounds. The depths of a snuba dive is limited to depths between 20 - 25 feet therefore decompression sickness is not likely to be a problem.

Since the depths allowed for snuba remain at less than 30 feet, the perfect place to explore is no other than Hol Chan Marine Reserve. Covering approximately three square miles, Hol Chan is the best shallow dive site in Ambergris Caye. Parrot fish, groupers, moray eels, nurse sharks, among hundreds of other marine life make this reserve home. Prior to getting in the water, Herbert gives a briefing of what snuba is, what it consists of, and the equipment which will be used. Included in the mini-briefing are underwater hand signals, and the most important rules of diving; don't hold your breath, and the importance of equalizing (popping your ears to release pressure), as well as briefly describing what you can expect in the water.

Whether your comfort level lies right at the surface or 25 feet underwater, Snuba allows you the option to explore at various underwater depths. Or, the choice to simply hold on to the raft and snorkel above water is always open. You will start in shallow water and take whatever time necessary to get comfortable breathing underwater. Once comfortable, you are then taken on a guided underwater tour. During the dive you are never more than 20 feet from the security of the raft floating on the surface. You will get the feeling that you are swimming in an aquarium surrounded by tropical fish.

Snuba is easily accessible to couples, families, children eight years and older, and seniors. What about having the younger members of the family join in the underwater exploration? Snuba Doo

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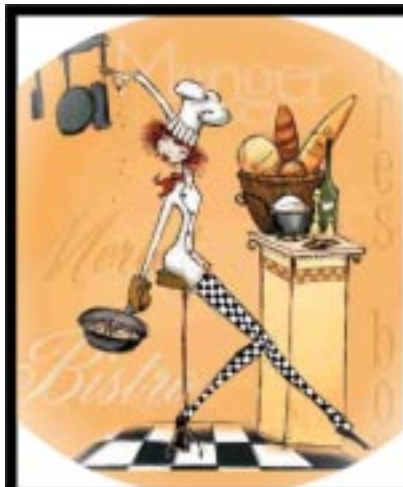
#### Cupid

Cupid was one of the gods of mythology. In Latin, the word Cupid means "desire." Cupid is typically represented as a chubby, naked, winged boy or youth with a mischievous smile. He possessed a bow with a quiver of arrows by which he transfixed the hearts of youths and maidens. Cherubs are descendants of Cupid. They are depicted as lovable little winged creatures without arrows and quivers. Cherubs were typically not mischievous like Cupid.

#### The Rose

The rose, which is undoubtedly the most popular flower in the world, speaks of love and has been the choice of lovers in every century. If you rearrange the letters of the word rose you get Eros, the god of Love.

(Stay tuned for more next week!)



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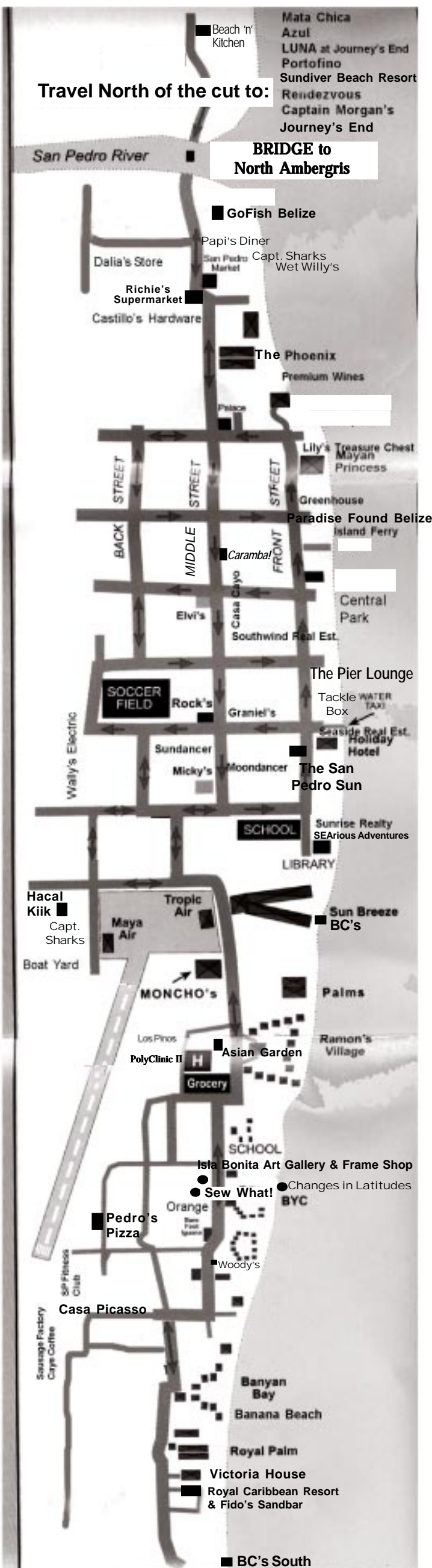
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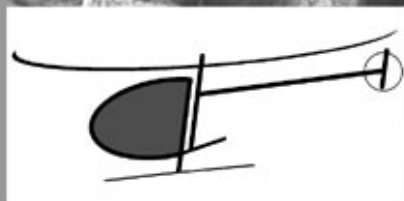
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allows kids from four through seven years of age to join their older siblings, parents or family members on a shared Snuba experience. Kids wear a specially designed floatation vest, which provides buoyancy to support the participant on the surface. A standard regulator with a smaller, kid's sized, mouthpiece provides

a supply of air connected to the air cylinder located on the Snuba raft. The Snuba Doo airline is 10 feet in length, which is the furthest distance the Snuba Doo kid's can be from the Snuba raft. Safer than snorkeling, Snuba Doo kids can cruise along above their family and friends while

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### Chocolate Covered Strawberries

*"This is the simplest version of chocolate covered strawberries. Paraffin was originally used instead of shortening. Turn the strawberries upside down and simply place them on a sheet of wax paper. White chocolate may be drizzled over the milk chocolate for a fancier look."*

Original recipe yield: 3 cups  
Preparation Time: 15 minutes  
Ready In: 15 minutes

### Ingredients:

- \*16 ounces milk chocolate chips
- \*2 tablespoons shortening
- \*1 pound fresh strawberries with leaves

### Directions:

\*Insert toothpicks into the tops of the strawberries.

\*In a double boiler, melt the chocolate and shortening, stirring occasionally until smooth.

\*Holding them by the toothpicks, dip the strawberries into the chocolate mixture.

\*Turn the strawberries upside down and place them on a sheet of wax paper in order for the chocolate to cool.

### Chocolate Cherry Upside-Down Cake

*Break the shackles of dull and boring Valentine's Day treats.*

### Ingredients:

- \*1 tablespoon cornstarch
- \*1 tablespoon cold water
- \*1/4 to 1/2 teaspoon almond extract (optional)
- \*1 can (21 oz.) cherry pie filling
- \*1-2/3 cups all-purpose flour
- \*1 cup sugar
- \*1/4 cup Hershey's Cocoa
- \*1 teaspoon baking soda
- \*1/2 teaspoon salt
- \*1 cup water
- \*1/3 cup vegetable oil
- \*1 teaspoon white vinegar
- \*1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

### Instructions:

\*Heat oven to 350°F. Stir together cornstarch, one tablespoon water and almond extract, if desired, until cornstarch is dissolved. Gently stir in pie filling; spread mixture evenly on bot-

tom of ungreased 9-inch square baking pan.



\*Stir together flour, sugar, cocoa, baking soda and salt in large bowl. Add one cup water, oil, vinegar and vanilla; beat with spoon until batter is smooth and well blended. Pour batter evenly over cherries.

\*Bake 40 to 45 minutes or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Cool 10 minutes; invert onto serving plate. Serve warm with whipped cream.

About nine servings.



**LOVE POTIONS**  
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### Peanut Butter Chocolate Chip Cookie

*If you could mix a potion that would make your love swell with passion and your body blaze like firewater, wouldn't you do it?*

### Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 oz Frangelico
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### Directions:

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**Robles (D20)** Lot 44 measuring 50' of beach y front x 270'. \$59,000.00 US.

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Popular styles seen on tourists consists of cornrows ending at the crown in two alternating colors and long, micro-braids fastened off with a few beads on each one. From fish bones, to cool corn rows, to straight braids or whatever your preference may be with any type of hair from dreads to straight or curly hair, "Any style, you name it" Miss Rose is up for the challenge. At any rate, in the modern world, it's very useful for men, as well as women, to braid their hair; not only does it keep the hair out of food and out of the face, but it cuts down on tangles while sleep-

ing. And it looks good! The hairstyles at Rose's braiding will give you an exciting new look! Perhaps the most common souvenir taken home from a stay in the Caribbean! Try something different with your hair in stylish locks, braids, or twists. For customized pieces of jewelry or if you want to get your hair braided, contact Miss Rose at 623-6727 or visit her on the beach overlooking the sea.

Join us next week as we feature another "unique trade" and explore items that are truly Belizean and made in Belize.

## Su Doku (Answers in next week's Issue)

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Menu selections include: Jerk Seared Sea Scallop Crouton, Smoked Oyster Bruschetta, Spinach Pesto Goat Cheese Salad, Rib-Eye Steak Argentino, Almond Nut Crusted Grouper, White Chocolate Pudding laced with a cardamom anglaise sauce, Strawberry & Mango Ice Parfait.

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## Wolfe's Woofers by Dennis Wolfe

### Special of the Day

"Nancy wants us to go to dinner with her and Dale," Dulce said.  
"Are you talking about Nancy from Oklahoma? I didn't even know that Dale was here."

"He'll be flying in on Wednesday. He'll only be here a week so you should make a special effort to go."

I said, "You know as well as I do that I work every night. It's almost impossible to go to dinner. Can't we make it lunch instead?"

"I tried to tell her that," Dulce said. "She says it's a special treat for Dale's birthday and she really wants to go to dinner at some special place."

"What special place is it?"

"She couldn't remember the name of it," Dulce said. "She'll be at BC's tonight so you can ask her yourself."

That night when I saw Nancy I explained the situation to her.

"I really had my heart set on taking Dale to this restaurant," she said. "They only have their special in the evening though."

"Nancy, a restaurant is a restaurant," I said. "What's different about this one? Which restaurant is it, anyway?"

"I can't remember the name of it but I have their card in my purse somewhere. What's so different is that their special of the day includes the three things that Dale is crazy about."

She rummaged around in the purse for a minute or so, handed me a card and said, "Here it is."

On the top part of the restaurant's card it said, "Daily Special - Lobster Tail and Beer."

## Trivia Tidbits

\*Queen Anne's bowlegs inspired a furniture style.

\*The shortest war on record, between Britain and Zanzibar in 1896, lasted just 38 minutes.

\*Blaise Pascal, the 17th-century French mathematician, said that if Cleopatra's nose had been differently shaped – aquiline, for instance – or if Cromwell's bladder had not been obstructed and he had lived longer, the history of the world would have been altered.

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\*The word "hurricane" is derived from the name of the West Indian god of storms, Huracan.

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- ❖ **Palmeros Point beachfront residential lot** \$197,000.
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- ❖ **Robles beachfront 200 ft beach** \$400,000.
- ❖ **Boca Ciega 4.5 acres** 170ft beach front. \$350,000.
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