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### Life on the Fly .... By Lori-Ann Murphy

Fly fishing the saltwater flats of Ambergris Caye is not an everyday occurrence for most. But for the ones that put their desire into motion, and to be around that energy - is flat out exhilarating. Trisha, Pam and Dori flew in from different parts of the USA - not knowing one another, just that they couldn't wait to get here to fish.

We had Hurricane Iota deciding its path and as that happened, it seemed like some big windows of perfect weather spun around, allowing gorgeous conditions at times. The other times they got soaked. They are the only 2 boats fishing this week - things are very quiet here on the island. They never see another soul while they fish - except each other for lunch time if they are fishing the same area. All three of them have had tarpon bites, and

so far Trisha and Pam have landed one. Trisha also had three permit in one day (we still like her). This is Dori's first saltwater flats trip - she will be returning for Permit Quest 5 in February. Now she knows what the game entails. She is very athletic and yesterday I saw a picture of her with a fully bent ten weight with a clear intermediate tip. Not the easiest thing to cast but very effective to fish.

A non fishing guest came up to the group and asked them if they knew each other before the trip. Trisha replied, "We do now!" Once again, the common denominator - fly fishing passion, has brought another group of adventurous women together for a great week of camaraderie and soulful productive fly fishing. We are so thankful. L-A



## Permit Quest is a Fishy Success!

We've had a great time this week chasing fish in beautiful weather! The first day we saw a 10 lb Permit landed and a 25 pounder that jumped off when a generous angler passed the rod to her fishing partner. Day two counted three permit landed by Trisha! Check out the image and video below to see two of them. We've also landed some great Tarpon and Bonefish and there is plenty of fishing time ahead of us for records to come!

So travel to Belize is open and these gals kicked it off well! If you are interested in more about the process in the airport this link from local authorities is a great resource on what to expect when you land! <https://belizing.com/Belize-International-Airport-Guide/>. Additional information on the Belize Travel ap, Gold Standards and 72 Hour testing can be found here: <https://belizetourismboard.org/news-and-gallery/belize-covid-19-update/>. American Airlines has the most flights in and out of Belize, with United a close second. Delta will be adding flights the end of November.

The Gold Standards have raised the bar for everyone's safety and security here in Belize. Sanitation standards, required face masks, hand sanitizing stations and transportation requirements are all regulated. And, its been noted as something to emulate! Trip Savvy picked Belize for their [Editors Choice Award](#) because of the high standards and safety Belize has put in place!



Trisha is on fire! Click the picture to watch a video of the next Permit she landed.

Three total that day!

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### Belize Travel

We included some helpful links above regarding the new reality of travel. However our Permit Quest participants shared their thoughts via video on how the whole experience went and how you can make it easy for your trip! One note.... if you get a negative PCR test at home within 72 hours of arrival in Belize it is most likely you will not need another test in the airport.





Listen to our Permit Quest participants talk about their experience traveling through the Belize airport this week.



One more tip for Belize Travel!



## Saltwater Slam March 6-10, 2021

Ambergris Caye in Belize offers the adventurous fly fisher the opportunity to fly fish for bonefish, permit, tarpon, jacks and barracuda. The occasional cobia and snook are also targeted. The conservation efforts over the last ten years have produced very healthy population numbers for the fishery. We're seeing some huge bonefish cruising the flats in addition to the plentiful schools of 2-4 lb fish. Permit and Tarpon schools continue to increase and plenty of tails abound! Our guide team is ready to show you all the specialness of Isla Bonita! Come cast your fly in the beautiful Caribbean. Belize is open and travelers are showing up. We look forward to providing you the very best.

Join us for six nights, 4 days of guided fishing and one free day to explore San Pedro. Our english speaking guides will take you to all the great spots so you can slam! On your day off choose from snorkeling, paddle boards, biking or just relax on the beach. If there is something else you'd like to see or do, just let us know and we'll make it happen! Casting clinics with Lori-Ann Murphy and the Reel Belize Team. \$3,295 Single Occupancy or \$2,995 Double Occupancy

## 2021 Schools

### Women's Fly Fishing School: Back To Basics

Jackson Hole, Wyoming  
Limited to eight women.  
June 26-28

### Women's Fly Fishing School: Back To Basics

Ennis, Montana  
Limited to ten women.  
July 17-20

### Women's Guide School

Limited to ten women.  
July 3-9, 2021, 2 Spaces Open  
July 24-30, 2021 2 Spaces  
Open

### Ladies on the Mend!

Henry's Fork -Idaho New  
Limited to ten women, seven  
spaces left.  
August 5-8





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### 2021 Belize Trips

#### 5th Annual Permit Quest

Limited to six women each week.

Feb 12-18 - **1 Space Open**

Feb 19-25 - **2 Spaces Open**

#### Couples Saltwater Trip Ambergris Caye, Belize

Limited to four couples.

**2 couples spaces left!**

Feb 27- March 4

#### Saltwater Slam! Ambergris Caye, Belize

Limited to six women.

March 6-10 **New!**

#### Womens Tarpon Quest

Limited to six women.

May 15-22 **4 Spaces Left!**

### 2021 US Trips

#### Ladies on the Mend!

Henry's Fork -Idaho

Limited to ten women, **7 Spaces Open!**

August 5-8

#### Deschutes River Women's Steelhead Camp Trip

Sold out!

August 25-29

#### Women's Yellowstone River Trip

Limited to four women.

**3 Spaces Left**

September 18-22

#### Yellowstone River Couples Trip

Limited to four couples.

September 25-30

### 2022 Trips

#### Women's Madison River Trip

Limited to ten women.

July 9-15

#### Ladies on the Mend -Henry's Fork, ID

August 4-7

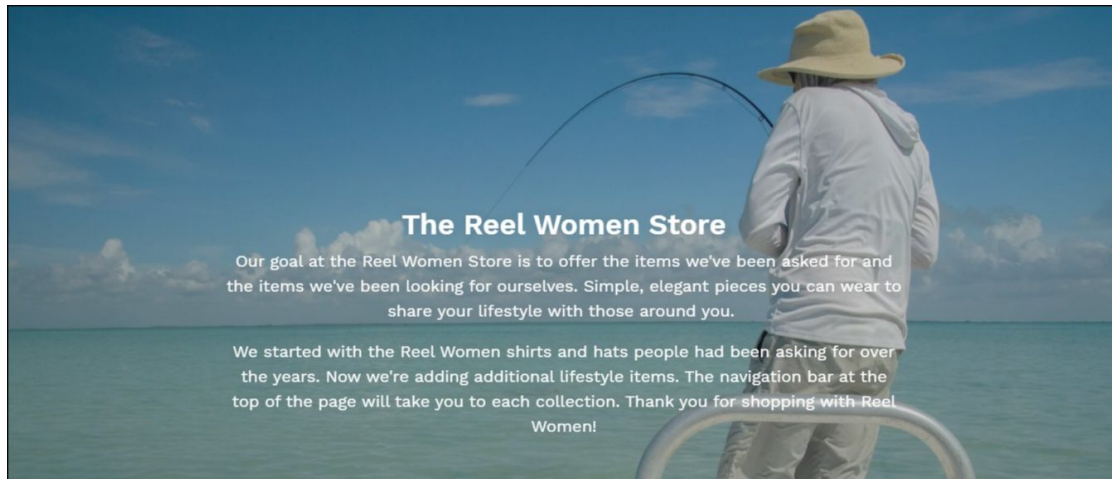
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September 17-21

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