

# Shipstern Nature Reserve



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Located in the northeastern part of Belize, within the Corozal district, lies a hidden gem that's a testament to the country's commitment to preserving its natural heritage—the Shipstern Nature Reserve. Spanning a vast expanse of 22,000 acres, this remarkable reserve is a lush tapestry of tropical forest, rich in wildlife. It safeguards an impressive array of habitats, from wetlands and lagoons to dry and wet tropical forests, creating a haven for diverse ecosystems. A visit to Shipstern Nature Reserve offers a unique opportunity for visitors to immerse themselves in the splendor of Belize's natural beauty. The reserve's one-of-a-kind observation tower, perched 40 feet above the forest canopy, provides an exceptional view of the surrounding landscapes.



### A BIRDER'S PARADISE

One of Shipstern's most compelling features is its avian diversity. The reserve is graced by the presence of over 300 bird species, offering endless opportunities for birdwatchers to witness the splendor of Belize's avian population. From the vibrantly colored toucans to elusive species like the harpy eagle, the reserve's ecosystem paints the sky with a kaleidoscope of feathers. Shipstern also serves as a home to all five cat species found in Belize along with the endangered Baird's Tapir.

