

Social Studies (Day 1)

Content:



The Park includes areas in the Stann Creek District of Belize's first protected area, the Silk Grass Forest Reserve. Of the many creeks flowing through the Park, the easiest to visit is the Silk Grass Creek. The flowing water attracts birds, amphibians, reptiles, flying insects and many mammals. Patient visitors can see a variety of species during a quiet break along the water's edge. A short walk across the stream leads to the Maintzunun Mayan Temple ruin and further on to the Antelope Trail. The area is also perfect for bird watching.

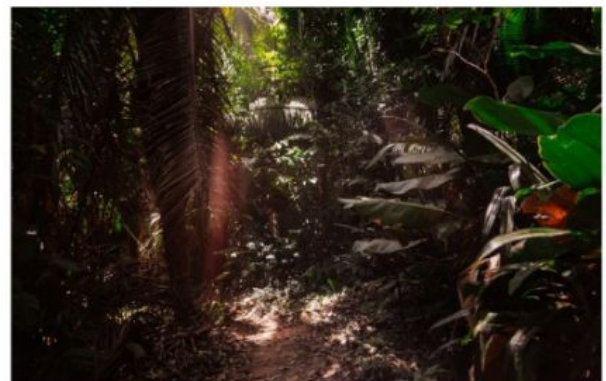
Mayflower Bucawina National Park has evidence of the Mayan heritage throughout the park.

The park has two unexcavated Mayan Temple Mounds, as well as many other unexplored Mayan sites (11 structures in total, 2 pyramids a formal cluster and 2 aguadas (water reservoirs)). A small teaching center is located in the plaza area, with an exhibit that includes a brief history of the local ancient Maya, displays of the artifacts (hammer stone, pottery shreds, crushed vases, mortar cup and green stone bead among other things) and the modern man's impact on the area. Interactive exhibits are designed particularly for younger visitors.

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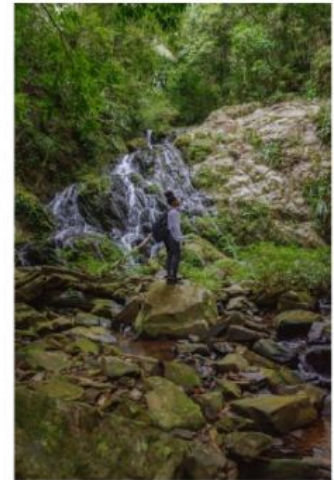
1. TRAILS

Vast diversity of flora and fauna can be seen along the park's several miles of hiking trails. Three different trails radiate from the Plaza area. A map board in the parking area marks the trails, all meandering under the dense jungle canopy to enchanting waterfalls.



2. WATERFALLS

The Park has several waterfalls known as the Three Sisters Waterfalls. On the hike up Bocawina Hill Trail, visitors will discover the lower and upper Bocawina Falls. A hike to the upper falls can be rewarded with a cool pool at the base 50-foot waterfall. For the more adventurous traveller, a rigorous hike to Antelope Falls reveals a 100-foot waterfall with an incredible view from the bluff all the way to the sea. It's best to bring along a guide, sturdy shoes, long pants and shirt, bathing suit, towel, camera, sunscreen, insect repellent, hat and binoculars.



3. BIRD WATCHING

Belize's tropical location and wide range of pristine habitats attract a remarkable number of birds. Over 200 different species of Birds have been registered right inside the park including toucans, trogons, oreoles, woodpeckers, owls, tanagers, kiskadees, hummingbirds, curassows, and kingfishers.

Activity prior to the online session.

Students are to read concept presented and discuss questions below with their nearest family member.

1. What is the name of the organisation presented?
2. What is the aim/main job of the organization presented?
3. In which district is Bocawina National Park Found?
4. List three things that you can find at Bocawina National Park.
5. What kind of activities can someone who is visiting the park carry out?
6. What can you find at the teaching centre?

Day 2:

Read each sentence carefully and answer the questions that follows.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8GuvoeRR2Oo&feature=youtu.be> type/ follow this link on you tube to help in answering these questions).

1. _____ different trails reside from the plaza area.
2. Over 200 different species of birds has been registered in the reserve as you go _____ - _____.
3. Three examples of these bird species are _____, _____, _____.
4. The word **Tau Whiz** means “ _____ ”.
5. Mayflower Bucawina National Park has evidence of the Mayan _____ throughout the park.
6. A short walk across the stream leads to the _____ Mayan Temple.
7. A small _____ is located in the plaza area.
8. The Mayflower Bucawina is located in _____ village.
9. The Park has several _____ known as the Three Sisters Waterfalls.
10. A _____ board in the parking area marks the trails, all meandering under the dense jungle canopy to enchanting waterfalls.