

# Local author, blogger Whitney Taylor Shaw shares tropical travelogue book

*Local author Whitney Taylor Shaw shares an amusing and eye-opening tale in her book, A Taste for Belize.*

BUFFALO, N.Y., UNITED STATES, November 12, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- A Taste for Belize is a tropical travelogue about a young woman from Springfield, Missouri and her fascinating and strangely profound trip to Belize.

"This book was actually written as a journal during my real life study abroad class in Belize. We were in the country for about 10 days and then it took a few months of encouragement from Carmen (who you'll meet in the book) for me to finally transcribe, edit, and expand upon everything to make it 'book length'," shares Shaw.



Hearing the word 'Belize', most people think of tanning, beach-lounging, and especially diving off the coast. In *A Taste for Belize*, the main character soon learns the value of appreciation amidst reptiles, insects, unidentified screams in the night, and unreliable plumbing. But the more she mingles with the local life and the more she learns about the Belizean industry and economy, the more she realizes that luxury does not equal necessity.

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"Whitney Shaw takes us on this humorous journey to discovering Belize in a fun and quirky way," shares Janey Hays, Acquisitions Editor for Tate Publishing. "We are glad to

have such a promising young author to be a part of our prestigious family!" she added.

Whitney feels equally enthused to be with Tate "I really wanted to have a strong say in my book, but being so young (I was only 21 when I wrote and went about publishing it), I didn't know how to publish or market a book, so I was looking for a company who would really help me out and hold my hand during this new experience. I even drove out to their office in Mustang, OK and got to meet everyone before I signed my contract, so the decision was a clear one. I'm so thankful I went with them!" she shares.

Published by Tate Publishing and Enterprises, the book is available through bookstores nationwide, from the publisher at [www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore](http://www.tatepublishing.com/bookstore), or by visiting [barnesandnoble.com](http://barnesandnoble.com) or [amazon.com](http://amazon.com).

Whitney Taylor Shaw got her degree in English Literature at the Missouri State University with a minor in Nutrition. At a young age she has always been taken to writing a journal about her personal experiences and was inspired to take a leap of faith into publishing A Taste for Belize when her advisor pushed her to it right after she submitted her study abroad journal. In addition to writing, Whitney also plays the cello, enjoys painting with acrylics, and creating new recipes with her husband to publish on her blog VegetarianBuffalo.com

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