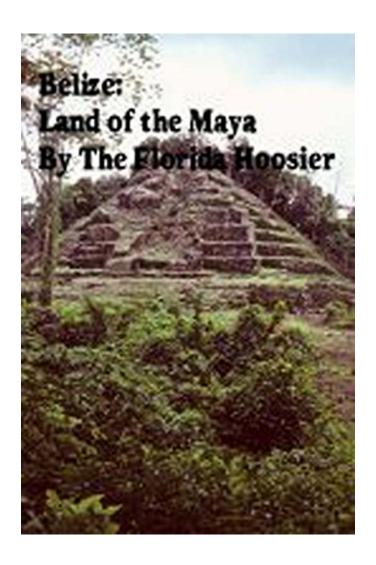
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Synopsis

Not being extremely fond of jungles and with visions of Voodoo dancing in my mind, my apprehension had been at a rather high level as I prepared to visit Belize. The journey had actually begun the previous summer after spending a month in the outback of Australia. Lynn Gardner and Anna Mitchell-Hedges were displaying the crystal skull in Indianapolis the following week. Mitchell-Hedges, had discovered the skull while visiting Belize with her father in the 1920s when she was sixteen years old. She was on tour in the United States and at the meeting relayed an interesting story on how she came about finding the skull. She told how they had searched in the jungle for the pyramid Lubaantun where the skull was reputed to be located. Upon discovering the pyramid, she being the smallest was elected to go down in the cavern in search of the treasure. Braving the hazards of entering an opening in the pyramid that possibly hadnâ ™t been explored in centuries, she found the renowned skull and brought it to daylight for the first time in centuries. Thus, my journey into the ancient Maya land began, it all seemed very exciting and not knowing quite what to expect I began to make plans for the January expedition.

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