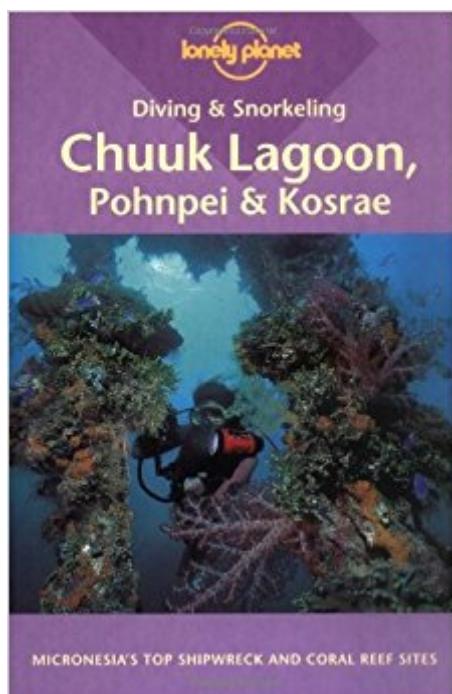


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Hard-coral jewels in the heart of Micronesia, Chuuk Lagoon, Pohnpei and Kosrae offer unrivalled variety. Dive into history while exploring artifact-laden Japanese shipwrecks in Chuuk (formerly "Truk") Lagoon. Hike in Pohnpei's lush rainforests and dive its teeming inner lagoon. Marvel at Kosrae's protected reefs, which host some of the Pacific's healthiest corals. The tropical waters around these remote islands keep the year-round diving and snorkeling exceptional. From the shipwreck graveyard of Chuuk Lagoon to Pohnpei's remote atolls and Kosrae's pristine reefs, this guide covers 64 of the area's best dive sites, with full-colour photos throughout. You'll get specific information on: Dive site depth range and suggested diving expertise Common and hazardous marine life Chuuk's WWII history, Pohnpei's Nan Madol ruins and Kosrae's marvelous mangrove reserves 14 easy-to-read maps

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Customer Reviews

This book helps to prepare divers on the people and dive sites in Truuk, the Japanese Pearl Harbor and ultimate destination for scuba divers and history buffs. Don't forget to visit Palau, beautiful and don't forget the sunblock!!!

It's tough for a book this size to cover all the details of the dive sites covered but it does a nice job of giving broad strokes to the dive sites.

I purchased this book as part of my preparation for a diving trip to Chuuk Lagoon. It contains many excellent colour photographs of wrecks, coral, artifacts and local inhabitants. I found the brief history that accompanies each of the wrecks featured especially interesting. Likewise the diagrams of some of the wrecks, along with their various inclinations on the lagoon floor is fascinating. Invaluable for such a trip are the scale maps of the lagoon and islands which pinpoint the location of the wrecks and other major features/landmarks. Further, the book grades each of the featured sites using the Pisces Rating System for Dives & Divers and the Dive Site Icons, both of which I found gave an excellent feel for the dive. Finally, the overview of the area given in the first few chapters is a nice touch. It contains a brief history of the area, information for travelling to Chuuk, items to bring, weather, food, shopping etc. In this book, author Tim Rock, has improved greatly his previous work on Truk Lagoon in 1994. I thoroughly recommend this book to anyone planning a trip to Chuuk, or, who simply wants to read about The Most Spectacular Wreck Diving in the World (In my opinion).

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