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Customer Reviews

This is an essential cruising guide for the South Pacific. It is divided in to four sections:1.

Introduction2. General Information3. Pilotage (descriptions of specific countries)4. Appendix (charts, useful books, glossary)The best part is all the hand-drawn charts for many, many anchorages. Of course, this is only a visual look and not to be used for navigation. We have used this book and referred to it often since we began our cruising journey 7 years ago.Highly recommend for your cruising bookshelf.Diana Young- World Traveler - currently sailing in the South Pacific for six months and #1 Best-selling author of Financial Fitness for Beginners.

I did not pay attention. There are a few issues with this guide. 1. Its 15 years old. and 15 years in the south seas is a very long time as the marine environment especially of atolls, coral, sand bars changes constantly and infrastructure especially on the main islands has improved a lot. 2. at an age of digital photography, the hand drawn sketches appear fairly rough, lacking details. The descriptions are also quite brief and as said outdated.Nevertheless, it is difficult to maintain an up-date, detailed guide for this large region. Its simply not the Caribbean. One has to apply prudent seamanship to explore this region. From this perspective and taken with a grain of salt, this guide delivers valuable information. I wouldn't spend \$30 for it again. For the advertised \$71 for the paperback I would rate it 2 stars.

better than expected. detail good. amount of information and number of anchorages is much greater than expected. great way to compare charts with information and detail from someone who has

been there.

A bit of a disappointment concerning layout. Contains sketches only, in black and white.

Coordinates not very accurately given. Factually it is better, contains much nice information.

Good information.

I had hoped for anchorages/moorings and Marinas in the Mariana's which I believed would be included in a South Pacific book, but didn't find them. I will still use book for other islands.

Having sailed through the Caribbean before arriving in the South Pacific, my wife and I had become use to the excellent cruising guides available in the Caribbean. Obviously there is a much smaller market for the South Pacific and it becomes evident when searching for the right guides to this region. Thankfully, someone pulled together this book and made it available to us, for without it many boats would be lost on the dangerous reefs and anchorages that make up this challenging sailing region. Having read all the cruising guides to this region, **THIS IS THE ONE BOOK YOU MUST BUY**. It provides very little cultural information or traveler recommendations on restaurants (you'll have to buy Lonely Planet, etc), but it is the **ULTIMATE** guide to choosing a safe anchorage and how to approach. The charts themselves are a little basic and lack depth information, but they do highlight the preferred routes of entry, desirable anchorage locations and includes a text description for added detail. I was continually surprised by how many anchorages this book included and it safely took us through the South Pacific. If you plan to cruise the South Pacific in any boat, I would highly recommend that you purchase this book. No other book comes close to being as helpful.

I am planning a passage to the South Pacific in the next year. Since this will be my first experience in the South Pacific this book gives me an excellent starting point. This guide covers a vast area of detail and virtually every anchorage is described with supporting plans. This book gives great detail as to where when and how. This is first hand information from the authors years of sailing in this area. Warwick Clay has done an excellent job compiling this wonderful resource.

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