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Snorkeling Florida: 50 Excellent Sites



Synopsis

'Snorkeling Florida' identifies 50 snorkelling sites from the Panhandle to the Keys. The information given for each site includes: directions, boat ramp locations, physical characteristics of the site; likely wildlife to be spotted; best times to explore; and historical information about the area.

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Customer Reviews

My wife and I reside in Florida and we enjoyed visiting different coral reef sites for snorkel. I found the book fascinating and very informative. In addition to the coral reef sites along the Florida coast (particularly in the Keys), we became very interested in the west coast sites for swimming with manatees. We have never done that and thanks to the book we plan to explore additional reef sites in the Keys as well as the manatees (water springs) sites in the west coast. Julio and Josefina Lago Homestead, FL

I had bought other books purporting to identify and describe both diving and snorkeling sites, only to discover that all of the "snorkeling" sites were actually offshore scuba sites with a bit shallower water. I have ear problems and cannot pressurize deeper than 6-8 feet, so these other books were useless to me. This book describes both offshore and inshore/beach sites, both deeper and shallower. I will update this entry once we take our Florida Keys trip in April '13.

We recently moved to Florida and want to snorkel as much as we can. After using this book, we went to John Pennecamp state park in Key Largo and took one of the snorkeling trips out of the park. It

was the best and most diverse coral reef snorkeling we've ever seen. We recently went to St Andrews State Park by Panama City on the book's recommendation and found it very good for snorkeling from the beach. The book has websites and phone #s as well as good tips for selecting equipment and dealing with the dangers of encountering certain wildlife in the ocean. We've found it very helpful for beginning snorkelers.

My order arrived in good time & packaged well, we're going on Vacation & this book looks perfect to use when snorkeling, & has so much information & Beautiful pictures, great condition & good price, can't wait to use this. Tku Trish :0)

My husband and I bought this book to see if we could combine our snorkeling and kayaking..Unfortunately this book is mostly about offshore sites

Bertelli has a great way of describing the reefs and snorkel sites that makes this above and beyond the average plodding guide book. This is a good book to use on a trip and to keep in your library. I haven't found anything else out there like this. The nice thing about snorkeling is that anyone who can swim can do it and it's relatively inexpensive, compared to scuba diving. But snorkeling doesn't have nearly the number of books, magazines, etc., so I appreciate this volume and recommend it to people who vacation or live in Florida and want to explore nature. Worth the money.

The author spends a lot of print on chatty tourist information regarding the various towns throughout the state. It could have been far more informative if more effort were put into the actual characteristics of the dive sites than the popular bars in Key West as an example. And most of the "ratings" are Beginner to Advanced. Some explanation of how the "ratings" can be so all encompassing would make this book worthwhile. Otherwise just use one of the many dive charts available.

I purchased this book since I am an avid snorkeler but haven't been to Florida yet. This book is very detailed on where and when to go to any of Florida's beaches and even tells you where to park!

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