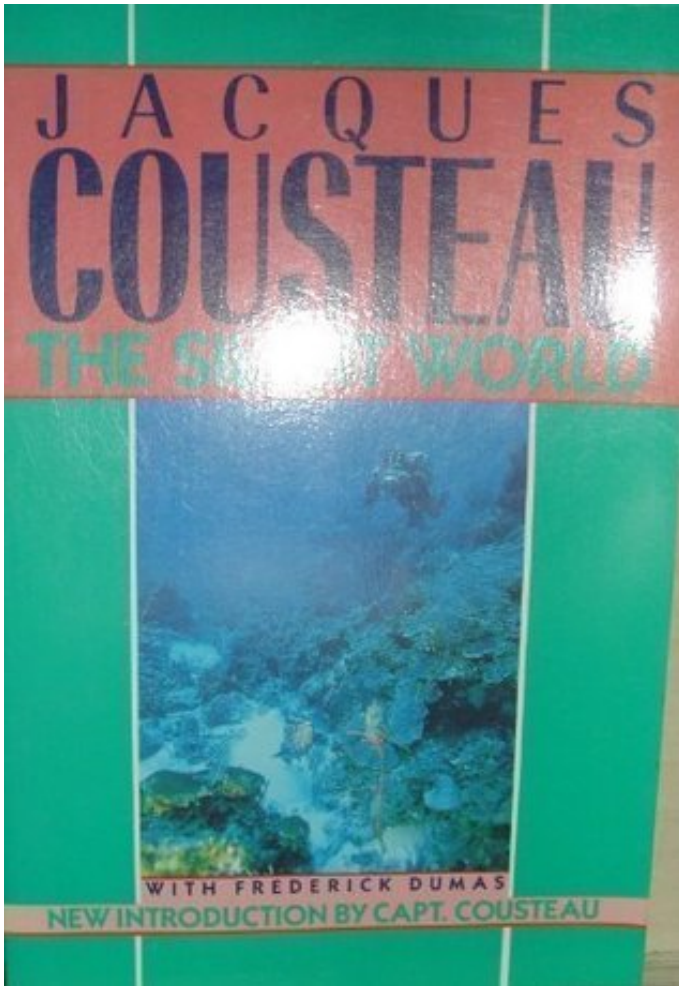

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Description

Before becoming the man who introduced us to the wonders of the sea through his beloved television series, Jacques Cousteau was better known as an engineer and the inventor of scuba. He chronicled his early days of underwater adventure in *The Silent World*?a memoir that was an instant, international bestseller upon its publication in 1954. Now, National Geographic presents a 50th anniversary edition of this remarkable book, allowing readers to once again travel under the sea with Cousteau during the turbulent days of World War II.

Insightful reviews

Gina: I don't think I would ever classify myself as having an interest in deep sea diving or sea creatures but this was a fascinating read and at times Cousteau's prose is almost poetic.

This is Cousteau's true life accounts of his deep sea diving expeditions: it's not a book you will speed read in one night. I found myself immersing myself in a few pages at a time, fascinated by what he was describing but also my mind drifting from the science talk.

Overall, I feel like I learned a lot and really enjoyed his anecdotes: for example, did you know that champagne does not have any carbonation (normally from built up CO₂) when opened under the sea. However, if you drink said flat champagne and rise to the surface, the bubbles will start popping in your stomach and foaming out of you (obviously good advice when I go drinking and diving next). The descriptions of the rapture they experienced at certain levels was truly fascinating: our bodies are capable of so much! Apparently, sea urchins are worse than barracudas or eels, also!

Jeff Williams: There is a reason this book single-handedly launched an entire business of recreational diving. Besides being a charismatic, passionate Frenchman whose love for the sea and its inhabitants was only matched by that for the world, he was also a deft craftsman with the English language. Anyone with the love for aquatic life or diving in general will fall in love with this book. I can't say enough good things about it.

JT Phillips: Fantastic book. As a deep water diver, I found Cousteau's autobiographical recounting of the early days of diving to be informative and moving. While Cousteau has long been a hero of mine, reading his own account of the incredible pioneering that he, Dumas, and Tailliez performed only built my appreciation for their deep sea trio as well as for those others who met with death along the course of discovery. This book will inspire even those who have never reached below the depths.

Margot Carroll: should you see the canopy of the 1953 or so version you'll think, existence Aquatic. I definitely did, bc i admire that movie! it appears within the 1970's Jacques Cousteau had a television convey too that many parents saw. Its fascinating to determine what a huge impact this stuff made on Wes Anderson. i can't blame him one little bit! Incredible, Im going to

need to learn extra approximately Cousteau!

DW: All approximately many of the first scuba reviews of Cousteau and company. the various issues they did have been mind-bogglingly stupid, though. "Let's see how shut we will get to an exploding underwater bomb with no being blown up!" "Let's see how deep we will go, realizing that we are going to get nitrogen narcosis, and never even tie our regulators in our mouths!" (One individual died from that, in order that they stopped.) Perhaps i might have beloved the e-book extra if I had noticeable many of the pictures he had filmed.

Madisson: relatively attention-grabbing book. The groundbreaking discoveries Cousteau, Dumas, Tailliez etc made are incredible. Being a scuba diver myself, i discovered this ebook very attention-grabbing and informative. (Even if you may have by no means been diving, i believe you would nonetheless get pleasure from it immensely.) It has helped me to understand the time and very good attempt those males placed into their work, achieving good stuff within the early days so as to get pleasure from diving as we do today.

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