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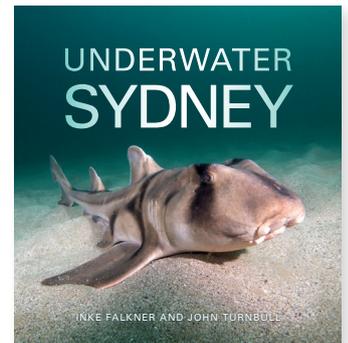
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## Celebrates Sydney's harbour and coast through engaging stories and beautiful underwater photography.

Admired all over the world and loved by locals for its natural beauty, Sydney Harbour is enjoyed by thousands of people every day. But rarely do we look below the surface where, beneath all the hustle and bustle, lively communities go about their business. With underwater forests and gardens, hundreds of species of fish and thousands of invertebrates, Sydney is as colourful and diverse below the water as it is above!

*Underwater Sydney* celebrates Sydney's incredible harbour and coast through eclectic stories and stunning underwater photography. It also explores the challenges the harbour is facing today after more than 200 years of coastal development and the role that marine science plays in maintaining the harbour's health.

*Underwater Sydney* will open your eyes to the rich marine life that makes the Sydney estuary and coast so special.



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## FEATURES

- Engaging stories based on informative science and accompanied by colour photographs of diverse and charismatic marine life
- Offers an overview of the Sydney Harbour environment, including intertidal rocky shores, submerged sandstone reefs, sponge gardens, beaches and sandy bays, mangroves, and the interplay with the built environment
- Each chapter is introduced with an above-water photograph of a location to anchor the story, and includes a mini map of the locations where visitors can find a certain underwater community



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## EXCERPT FROM THE FOREWORD

“Underwater Sydney takes us on a fascinating, inspiring and important journey into this unique underwater world. While Sydney’s Opera House, Harbour Bridge and famous beaches are recognised worldwide, this beautiful book dips below the surface to reveal a less familiar world.”

Professor Emma L Johnston AO, Dean of Science and Professor of Marine Ecology and Ecotoxicology at UNSW Sydney

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