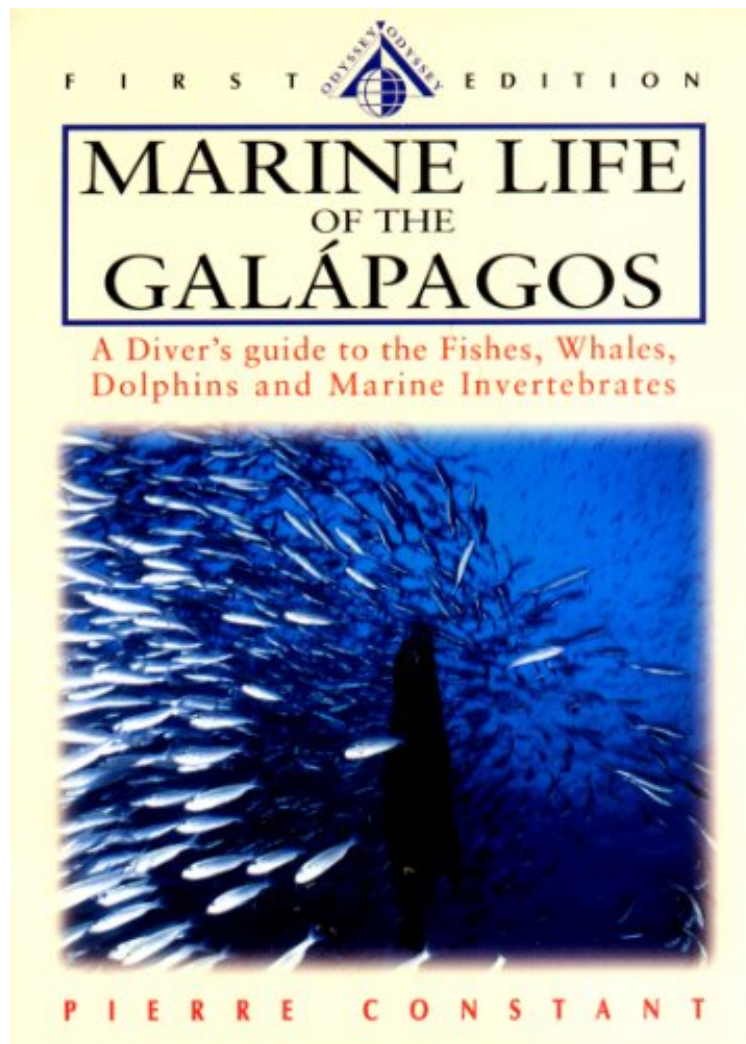


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book that would be an all around field guide to the marine critters. Unfortunately, =this is not that book=. The layout is inconvenient, requiring one to move back and forth between a description of the animal and its photo- which often enough, turns out to be murky and not very revealing. The descriptions are brief to the point of being sketchy and forgetting some vital information, and there are some noticeable typographical errors. Though some of the information and citations are up-to-date, many are so old they verge on misinformation, and important books (Humann and DeLoach's book, for instance, are missing entirely from the non-annotated bibliography. Based on my personal experience diving with sharks and the data available during the last ten years, this book's information on sharks especially is misleading, out of date and overly alarming. Some of the island and dive site maps are crudely drawn- I have seen better drawn on white boards at dive briefings. Unfortunately, this appears to be THE field-totable book available at the moment on this topic, and that's why I have it. Here's hoping Msr. Constant revises, adds and updates his book- it could be a blessing. I do not recommend buying this book unless you NEED it. ...0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Awesome Book!!!By ChristineI am so please with this purchase! It was better than I could've imagined it being! Thanks!!! Hopefully I can get a look at some other items for sale!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Pierre Constant is a Thief!By little beandaI booked several days of scuba diving and paid in advance for Pierre Constant to serve as a diving guide in The Galapagos. He cancelled at the last minute and has not paid me back. Does not reply to email or voicemail and still owes me over \$300.

On December 2, 2001, the Galapagos Marine Reserve will officially become a World Heritage Site. Few people are more intimately connected with the Galapagos and its marine life than Pierre Constant, author of the best-selling guide to Galapagos, also from

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