

South Africa's Great White Shark

The essential guide for surfers, scuba divers, kayakers, swimmers, fishermen - in fact anyone who ventures into the ocean. South Africa's Great White Shark is an informative text for cage divers, marine biologists, tour guides and photographers, providing in-depth coverage of Great White behaviour, ecology, conservation and ecotourism. The book contains facts behind cage diving, chumming and shark bites and asks why great white sharks sometimes bite people and why they come so close to shore. It even contains practical advice on how to minimise the chances of being bitten.

The book contains award-winning great white shark photographs, which showcase rare behaviour ranging from feeding on whales to stalking sea kayakers.

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