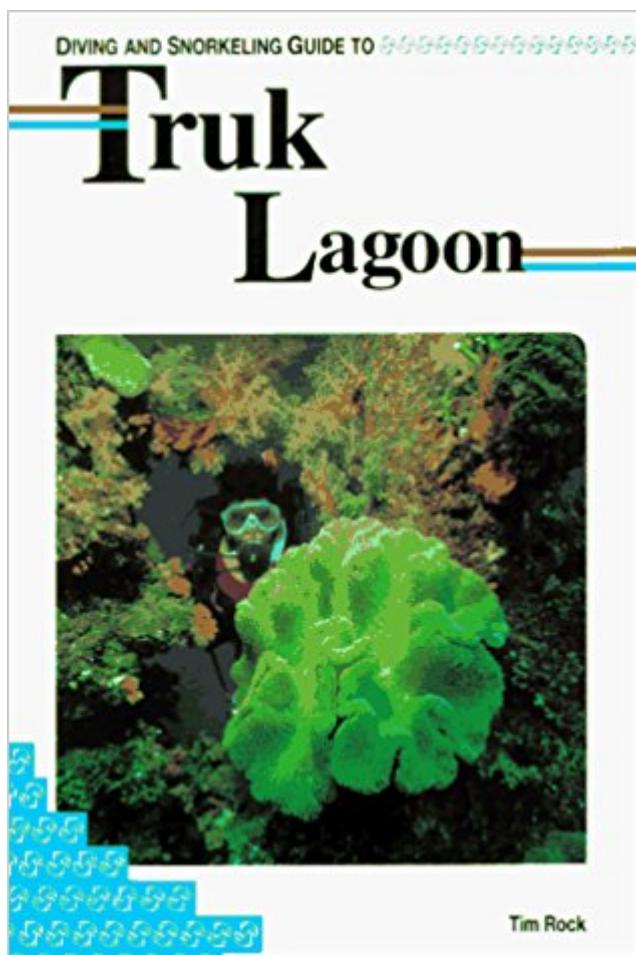


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Nice general guide to the lagoon. There is so much detail to be covered that a book this size can't cover it all but this book does a nice job of covering the dives in broad strokes

It gives good general descriptions of dive sites on Truk and has been informative on diving and other subjects

Truk offers about the best u/w photography in the world, and this book gave me an idea of what to expect, and how to get ready. And was a great help in identifying some of my shots when i got back. Can't wait to go back. More wrecks are discovered every day there i hear, so i hope the author writes an updated version soon.

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