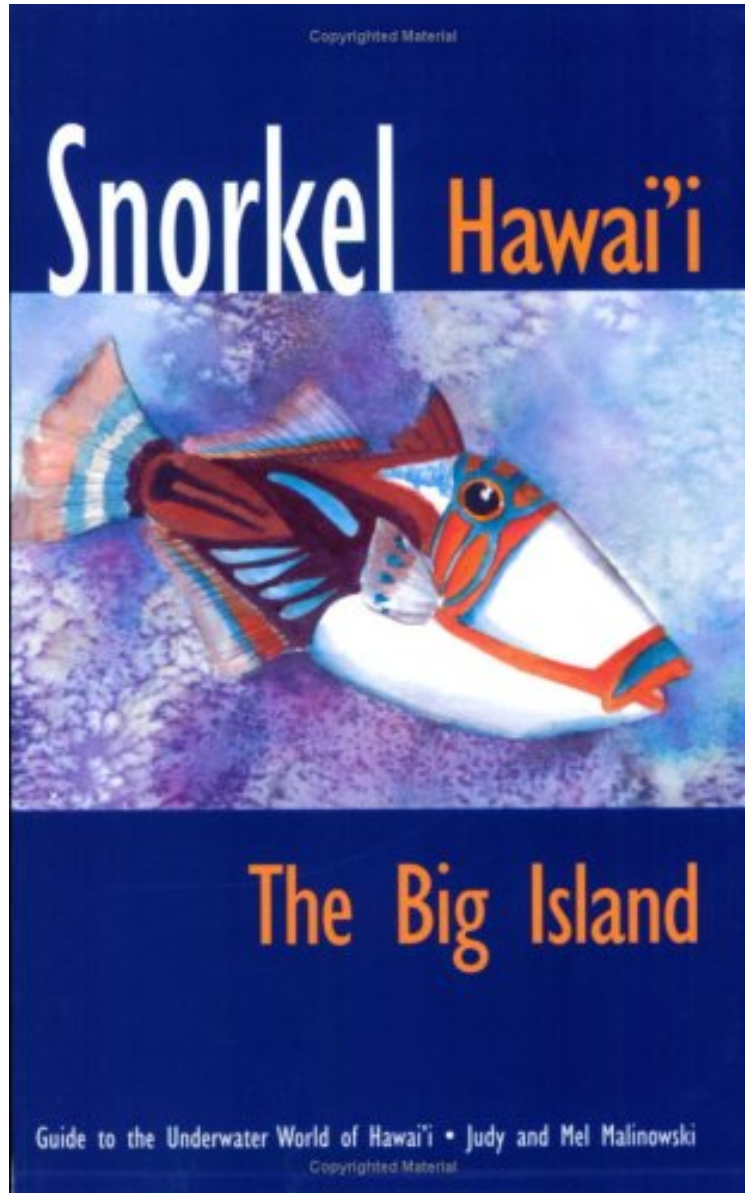


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**Judy Malinowski, Mel Malinowski : Snorkel Hawaii: The Big Island, 2nd Edition** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Snorkel Hawaii: The Big Island, 2nd Edition:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Required reading if you plan to play in Hawaiian water.By R. VorisThe book offers insights you probably wouldn't find on your own. From dangers to hidden must-see places, you

will find a treasure trove of information to take advantage of while visiting Hawaii. The book is a directory of the coolest spots to swim, snorkel or just lounge on the beach. Our Hawaii vacation would not have been nearly as fun without having The Big Island to guide us. The book on Kawai is equally informative. Judy did all the homework so you can go straight to the best places to play. So many times directions lead one astray. All of the directions in this book were spot on target. We never got lost and we found every place we were looking for based on the directions in the book. 10 of 10 people found the following review helpful. I hope the great snorkel beaches don't get too crowded. By Rat doc 001 I've been to Hawaii 5 times, 3 times of which were to the Big Island. I got hooked on snorkeling and I found this book for my second trip there. It is so great to be able to have a table of the various snorkel sites for comparison then go to the description pages for more detail. My only disappointment comes from the fact that my copy is the first edition and this year, some of the directions are now out of date so we made a couple of wrong turns. This is not the fault of the guide but the fault of my poor memory for directions and not realizing there was a new edition. I really enjoy the conversational tone the authors use to relay their experiences when at the particular beaches. It gives the impression that these authors actually visited the beaches instead of relying on the tourist literature. They also provide practical advice for the particular beaches which is helpful since general advice and warnings about snorkeling (which they also provide as a portion of the book) will only get you so far when you're actually at a specific beach faced with the conditions particular to that beach. I feel this book has really given me access to areas that I may otherwise not have known about or gone to to enjoy the underwater beauty that the Big Island has to offer. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Exceptional Guide. By E. Arentsen We've used this guide over the past several years and have found it to be exceptionally comprehensive. The book includes general information about diving the big island and then proceeds to give detailed descriptions of the various beaches around the island. We've yet to discover a beach that is not documented in this book. The descriptions for each beach include driving directions, parking information, and beach conditions. Whether you snorkel, dive, or just paly int he surf, this book will be helpful. As an experienced diver I enjoy the information about diving conditions, surge, clarity, and species that may be encountered at each site. Many of the beaches are known by several names. This guide includes local names as well as official state names. Whether you plan to snorkel, scuba dive from shore, or just explore some new beaches, this guide is indispensible. This book combined with "Big Island Revealed" and "Hawaii's Fishes : A Guide for Snorkelers, Divers, and Aquarists" by John Hoover and you'll be fully set for any ocean adventures.

Snorkel Hawaii: The Big Island was the first guidebook exclusively devoted to snorkeling on The Big Island of Hawaii. In this 50% longer expanded second edition, even more sites and maps are included, plus updated tips and excursions. From a colorful cover to 54 site descriptions and 38 detailed maps of snorkeling sites, it draws you into the fascinating underwater world that shouldn't be missed by anyone touring the Big Island. As Dave Barry says: "When you finally see what goes on underwater, you realize that you've been missing the whole point of the ocean--it's like going to the circus and staring at the outside of the tent." It is the original in a series of guidebooks that provide more detailed snorkeling information than ever before available for each of the Hawaiian islands in an attractive, easy to carry package. Snorkel Maui and Lanai, and Snorkel Kauai, also available from Amazon.com, provides the same detailed coverage of these beautiful islands.

...a series of exceptional guidebooks to the best snorkeling sites in Hawaii... They have achieved a rare balance... -- Greg Ambrose, Honolulu Star-Bulletin, December 15, 1997 From the Author An active vacation is memorable for adventure as well as relaxation. Hassles and missteps finding out where to go can raise your blood pressure, and waste your time. Our research will help you quickly locate appropriate sites that fit your interests and abilities, saving your valuable vacation hours. Snorkeling sites in Hawaii are trickier than some calmer parts of the world, so it's best to get good advice before heading out. Everyone's had their share of unpleasant experiences due to vague directions, as well as outdated or inaccurate information. We have created the Snorkel Hawaii series as that savvy snorkeling buddy everyone needs. We hope you'll enjoy the personal stories we've included; see About the Authors on page 126 if you want to know a little more about us. We have personally snorkeled all the major sites listed. Few of these sites are well-marked. The challenge lies in knowing how to find them quickly, as well as how to enter and exit, and where to snorkel, so you'll have a safe and rewarding experience. Our detailed maps and instructions will ease the uncertainty, saving you time and effort. The Big Island offers some of the clearest water and finest snorkeling sites in all of the Hawaiian Islands. Less developed than the more crowded islands of Maui and Oahu, it retains much of the Aloha spirit even today. Most residents of the Big Island are friendly, relaxed and willing to talk and share their love of this remarkable place. Try to visit it at least once in your life, and by all means don't miss the underwater world. Aloha! From the Back Cover Discover the Hidden World... Just under the warm blue waters of Hawaii lies an underwater garden well known to the ancient Hawaiians. You can enter this magical world with ease, and have an experience that you will never forget. 26 top snorkeling sites 22 detailed maps get you there fast Equipment and technique tips Geology in the fast lane Snorkeling the internet Safe snorkeling savvy

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