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Musick, who has spent over thirty years as a defender of the much-maligned shark, here excavates the mysterious lives of sharks from the dark recesses of the oceans--and raising the alarm about how fishing and industry are reducing their numbers and affecting their behavior. This captivating and educational scientific exploration challenges us to rethink our relationship with sharks, leaving us with the question: Are humans the prey, or the predator?

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Shawn Thrasher says

Too much shark and not enough chronicles - sort of a snoozer.

Ashley says

NC Own in hardback.

FS: "It was hot as hell down in the fo'c'sle and a great relief to climb the ladder up to the main deck where a fresh breeze was blowing cool salt spray over the starboard rail."

LS: "Entrusted with the care of so much biological wealth, don't we all bear a responsibility to do what we can to pass on that inheritance, whole and undiminished, to the generations who will follow?"

Clare says

My review: http://www.learntodivetoday.co.za/blo...

Nathan says

Split unevenly between actual anecdotes of sharks and cursory information readily available from your average high school biology textbook, this book only excels in the former. Boring, which is unforgivable in a book about sharks.

Rod Foglio says

Unusually in depth study of all aspects of sharks. It's told from a scientists point of view, but very understandable to a general audience. It clears up a lot of misconceptions people have. You'll never eat shark fin soup again.