



FACTSHEET

Interesting literature

The following are suggested reading about Madagascar, marine science and conservation.

Required reference book

Coral Reef Fishes: Caribbean, Indian Ocean, and Pacific Ocean: Including the Red Sea. By Ewald Lieske and Robert Myers, January 2002, ISBN: 0691004811

Travel guides and language

The Bradt Travel Guide, Madagascar. By Hilary Bradt, Bradt Travel Guides, October 2004

Madagascar and Comoros. By Gemma Pitcher and Patricia Wright, Lonely Planet Country Guides, August 2004

Malagasy-English/English-Malagasy Dictionary and Phrasebook By Janie Rasolomon, Hippocrene Books Inc, January 2001

General

A History of Madagascar. By M. Brown, D Tunnacliffe, UK, 1996

Maverick in Madagascar. By M. Enveleigh, Lonely Planet Journeys, 2001

Madagascar, a World out of Time. By F. Lanting, Robert Hale, UK, 1991

Lords and Lemurs: Mad Scientists, Kings with Spears, and the Survival of Diversity in Madagascar. By Alison Jolly

Female Caligula Ranavalona, the Mad Queen of Madagascar. By Keith Laidler, John Wiley and Sons Ltd September 2005

The Eighth Continent: Life, Death and Discovery in the Lost World of Madagascar. By Peter Tyson, June 2001 (difficult to get hold of but well worth it)

The Eighth Continent: On the Trail of the Extraordinary in Madagascar. By Russell A. Mittermeier and Peter Tyson, June 2000

Ethnology

Madagascar: Island of the Ancestors. By J. Mack, British Museum, London, 1986

People of the Sea: Identity and Descent Among the Vezo of Madagascar. By Rita Astuti, Meyer Fortes, Edmund Leach, and Jack Goody, Cambridge Studies in Social & Cultural Anthropology, March 2006

Natural history

Zoo Quest to Madagascar. By D. Attenborough, Lutterworth 1961

Madagascar Wildlife: A Visitor's Guide. By Hilary Bradt, Derek Schuurman, and Nick Garbutt, Bradt Travel Guides, July 2001

The Aye-aye and I. By Gerald Durrell, Harper Collins, 1992

Madagascar: A Natural History. By Preston-Mafham, Facts on File, 1991

Guide to the Birds of Madagascar. By Olivier Langrand and W. Daniels, January 1991

A Photographic Guide to the Birds of the Indian Ocean Islands: Madagascar, Mauritius, Seychelles, Reunion and Comoros. By Ian Sinclair and Olivier Langrand, Struik Publishers, January 2001

Marine

Reef Fishes and Corals, East Coast of Southern Africa. By Dennis King, Struik, South Africa, 1996

The seashores of Eastern Africa and the Western-Indian Ocean Islands. By M. Richmond.

Indo-Pacific Coral Reef Guide. By Gerald R. Allen and Roger Steene, Tropical Reef Research, December 1994

Indian Ocean Reef Guide: Maldives, Sri Lanka, Thailand, South Africa. By Helmut Debelius, ConchBooks, December 2001

Tropical Reef Life, A Marine Awareness Guide. By Michael Aw, OceaNEnvironment Ltd, 1997

Oceans End, Travels Through Endangered Seas. By Colin Woodward, Basic Books, February 2001

Stars Beneath the Sea, The Incredible Story of the Pioneers of the Deep Sea. By Trevor Norton, Arrow, May 2000

The Blue Planet (video or DVD), BBC

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