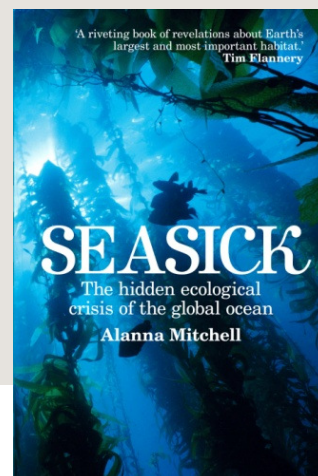


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Description

It is a disturbing reality that many people believe the oceans of our planet are largely devoid of life and ecological significance. In actual fact, the oceans are the great unexamined ecological crisis of our planet.

Globally the oceans cover 71 per cent of the planet's surface and contain 90 per cent of the mass of life on Earth. While tremendous attention and money have been invested in saving the ecosystems of our land animals and plants, the gradual deterioration of ocean life has been happening in secret. Scientists are just beginning to piece together the growing crisis beneath the waves and its implications for future life on this planet.

Seasick is the first book to take the scattered pieces of this scientific puzzle and bring them into a cohesive story. It will change the way people understand the global ocean and its importance to all life on earth.

As go the oceans, so goes the planet . . .

Sales Points

- *Seasick* is engaging and timely narrative non-fiction outlining the environmental crisis occurring in our global ocean and the responses of various countries to the problems
- Alanna Mitchell's research opens with the deterioration of the Great Barrier Reef in Queensland and features her discussions with Tim Flannery, former Australian of the Year and bestselling author of *The Weather Makers*
- *Seasick* carries an endorsement quote on the cover from Tim Flannery - 'A riveting book of revelations about Earth's largest and most important habitat'
- Alanna will be a guest at the Brisbane Writers' Festival in September 2008 and will also travel to Sydney and Melbourne for media and promotion while she is in Australia
- A2 Poster available (ISBN: 9787777003342)

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