

Monk Seal Hideaway



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Book Description

Photographed in full color. One of America's most acclaimed nature writers vividly brings to life the experience of being face-to-face with a rare and beautiful wild animal. She journeys to the last refuge of the most endangered of all seal species, the Hawaiian monk seal. Written with a poet's eye for beauty and a naturalist's attention to detail, and illustrated with glorious photographs, this book provides an unforgettable glimpse into a mysterious world.

From School Library Journal

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