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No Return Ticket -- Leg Two: Sailing In The Treacherous Roaring Forties, Redemption And Love In The Great Barrier Reef, Pirates On Deck (Volume 2)





Synopsis

Readers around the world were enthralled by the first voyage of Skip Rowland and his yacht *Endymion*. In this second leg of *No Return Ticket*, Skip tells of his further adventures battling storms, a flooded river, a host of maritime dangers and narrowly avoiding capture by pirates. This is a story of real-life adventure at sea, told by a master story teller.

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Customer Reviews

Skip Rowland delivers a riveting read of high seas dramas of storms and pirates, along with passionate reflections of escaping the stress of business life to the perfect peace of sailing in shimmering night skies with beautiful Denise at his side. This 'living the dream' sailors saga will appeal to adventurers, sailors and 'wannabe' cruisers who like to live on the edge. --Liza Copeland Award-winning writer and author of four best-selling cruising books I recommend this book to anyone wanting to live an adventure without risking his or her life in the process. A great read. --Howie McMichael Offshore sailor and owner; McMichael Yachts, Mamaroneck New York You won't be disappointed. I was there. Denise and Skip are the real thing--magic together. --Mike Mulholland Crew member and remarkable fisherman

Christened Jasper Morgan Rowland III, Skip's first trip outside the womb was to the Chautauqua Lake Yacht Club, where he was re-named Skip - appropriate for the newest member of generations

of sailors. Home is now in the mountains of British Columbia along the Columbia River, far from the oceans he came to love so much. After graduating college and a tour in the United States Marine Corps Skip founded what is now a manufacturers rep company of significance (Morgan Sampson USA) One of those "Aha" moments occurred when his firm was awarded the distribution of Krazy Glue. The 69 cent wonder tube changed Skip's life, allowing retirement at age 46 to wander the world in a well fitted 43 foot yacht. It could have been a lackluster cruise but he managed to get into more trouble and oddball situations than one can imagine happening in a lifetime. No Return Ticket, (Leg One and Leg Two) are true adventure memoirs about real people in unreal situations. Skip is an award winning journalist and a sought after speaker.

I was there in Tahiti with them. Didn't know about the rest of the trip but this is a REAL adventure with REAL people and it really does put you right there with them. Great sailing adventure that most will never experience. Can't wait to get "Leg Two"!!!

Skip Rowland not only has the incredible knack of putting the reader on deck with his crew but describes the events of their world sailing adventures with enough clarity and realism that the reader becomes part of the adventure. After reading "No Return Ticket Leg One", I didn't expect his second book "No Return Ticket Leg Two" to surpass his first book, it did with flying colours. From a life threatening pirate attack to sailing through searing equatorial heat, sailing into a tropical paradise; then, seeing his wife laying on death's doorstep. Excitement, intrigue & heart break. Author, Skip Rowland, and his wife, Denise, went through it all. A book worth reading.

I have known skip for many years. this book sounds just like him. his thought process, sense of humor, etc. denise is very mush herself, too. great read.

I just finished Leg Two and feel as if I cruised the Pacific with Skip and Denise. Such adventure: racing through dangerous sea conditions, encounters with water spouts, pirates, native burial grounds, and blissful periods of drifting and blending! The book leaves me feeling enriched by their courageous travels, and happy.

“No Return Ticket” was a book I couldn’t put down until the end. I am an experienced offshore sailor and have sailed many miles racing to a destination. My cruising was short hops sailing the Windward and Leeward Islands of the Lesser Antilles over several vacations. None compare to crossing the Pacific and Island hopping where islands are 600 miles apart with a very small pick-up crew. The culture of the islands and the personalities of the people aboard, under good and bad conditions, help animate the book, as well as the outgoing personality of Captain Rowland. It was near miss after near miss with Lady Luck playing a big part. I recommend this book to anyone wanting to live an adventure without risking their lives in the process. A Great Read I am now waiting for his next book as the adventure continues.

Blessings to Capt. Skip, his adorable wife, Denise, and all his interesting crew. This book is perfect for everyone as it has technical parts, humor, romance, excitement, sadness and so much more. Every chapter is jam packed with vivid word pictures of the varied ports of call, the geography of the world, glimpses of other cultures, and even danger. One will not want to put it down as we travel with Skip and his crew to wonderful places and experience all that they do, including the closeness they feel to God as they experience wondrous things. A MUST read for all - bring on the next leg of the trip!!!!

The narrative puts you right on deck as the author launches into an incident-packed voyage across the Pacific. For a book of this type to succeed, the yarns have to be delivered with just the right amount of detail, authenticity and narrative, and Skip Rowland sure knows how to deliver. Can’t wait for the follow-up!

Though I am not a sailer, I was fascinated by the story. Even for girls who don’t sail, No Return Ticket is a fascinating story of adventure, romance, the mystics of the South Pacific Islands and sailing through open ocean storms. I highly recommend this story as a great read.

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