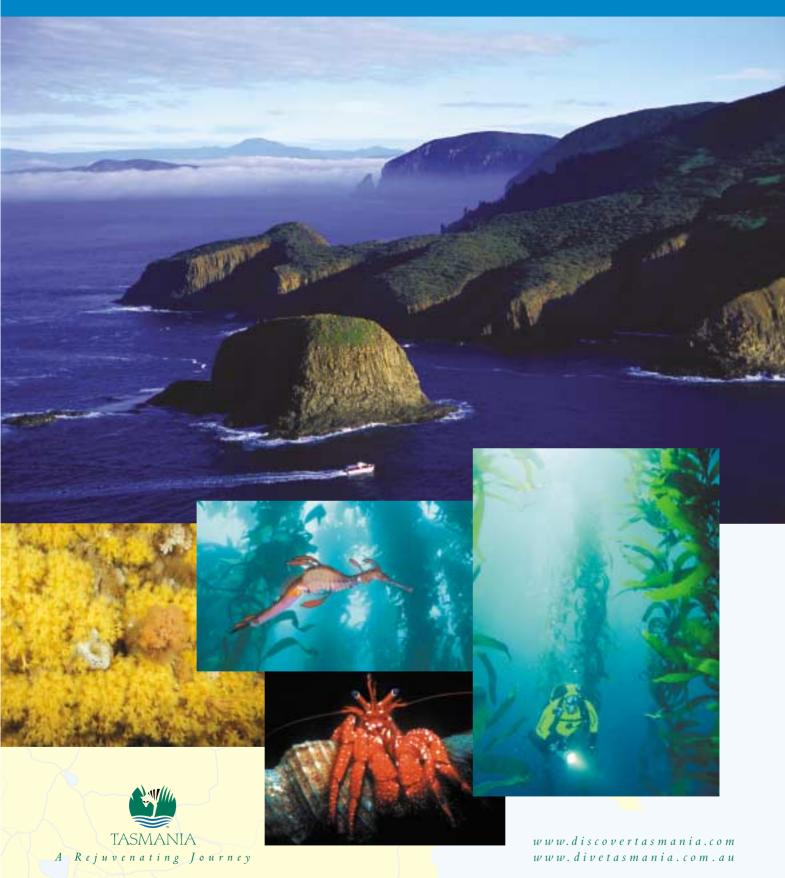
# Dive Tasmania



# "Tasmania is the world's most accessible underwater wilderness"

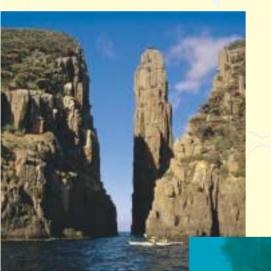
David Doubilet 'Beneath the Tasman Sea' National Geographic magazine



# Dive the pristine waters of Tasmania, Australia's island state

The island of Tasmania is one of the most remote, untouched and wild places in the Southern Hemisphere. Tasmania's marine environments contain some of the most biologically diverse and unique floras and faunas in the world – the island's spectacular coastline and clear, pristine waters have all the ingredients for superb diving.

Easily accessible off the south-east Tasmanian coast are
Australia's most extensive giant kelp forests, providing habitat
for rare marine species such as the big bellied seahorse, weedy
sea dragon and handfish. Colourful sponge gardens and
temperate-water invertebrates abound – photographers
will be rewarded with memorable underwater images.



## Reefs and wrecks

Tasmania's varied coast – all 5,400 kilometres of it – includes rocky shores with extensive reefs, more than three hundred islands, marine reserves, sheltered sandy inlets and bays, dramatic underwater caves and historic shipwrecks.

Many of Tasmania's known shipwreck sites are in wild and remote locations – joining the experts at one of our experienced local dive companies is the best way to enjoy a Tasmanian diving adventure.



# On dry land

Separated from mainland Australia by the 240 kilometre stretch of Bass Strait, Tasmania is a land apart – a place of wild and beautiful World Heritage landscapes; a pleasant, temperate climate; friendly, welcoming people; wonderful food and wine; a rich history and a relaxed island lifestyle.

As well as magnificent diving, Tasmania offers international visitors a range of other memorable travel experiences to complete the perfect Southern Hemisphere holiday.







# Dive Tasmania - Accredited dive tour operators

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