

1. ****Location****: Tuamotu Islands, Raroia Atoll, Fakarava South Pass
2. ****Sailing Conditions****: Dealing with passes in the atolls, currents up to 10 knots, coral heads (bommies), challenging navigation due to reefs and currents, trade winds around 20 knots, need for two engines in challenging situations.
3. ****Problems****: Bolts falling out of mast, radar failure possibly due to lightning strike, boat maintenance issues, submerged mooring ball.
4. ****Fixes****: Identifying and fixing loose bolts, replacing radar, replacing parts on the mast, handling mooring lines.
5. ****Anchorages****: Mooring in crystal clear waters of Fakarava.
6. ****Marinas****: Interaction with other cruisers at anchorages, community aspect of sailing, meeting friends at different locations.
7. ****Safety Measures****: Caution while entering and exiting passes, need for attention to navigation, cautious approach in challenging conditions, importance of having experience onboard.
8. ****Routes****: Popular sailing route known as the "milk run" from Mexico or Panama to the Marquesas, through Tuamotu Islands towards Tahiti, then onwards to destinations like Tonga, Samoa, New Zealand, Australia, or Fiji.
9. ****Sea Life****: Shark diving experience in Fakarava South Pass, encounters with reef sharks and reef fish, experiencing marine reserves and diverse marine life.
10. ****Rules and Regulations****: Importance of respecting marine reserves, impact of divers on marine life, understanding shark behavior and safety measures during dives.
11. ****Weather Conditions****: Timing dives with favorable tides, significance of high tide for dives, influence of currents on dives and navigating passes.
12. ****Scenic Beauty****: Description of crystal clear waters, white sandy beaches, beauty of the Tuamotu Islands, spectacular views from the boat and during dives.
13. ****Cultural Experience****: Interaction with locals, welcoming atmosphere, experiencing local bars and culture.
14. ****Community****: Building connections with other cruisers, meeting people with similar interests,

sharing experiences and knowledge within the sailing community.