

VARUNA

by Phillip Vincent

Forced to seek refuge on an isolated island
they discover something more terrifying
than the murderous drug lord is hunting them...

The Book

Varuna, a new adventure thriller from first-time author Phillip Vincent exposes the devastating exploitation of the planet's most precious and vulnerable resource—our oceans. Behind the beauty of the novel's exotic and enchanting landscapes is a paradise under siege. A battle of wills ensues with an unexpected plot twist, begging the question: Will morality prevail?

“The smell of the salt air and warm ocean breeze blowing across his face lifted his spirits and helped him forget, if only for a moment, how his life had veered off course. The bright turquoise of the shallows changed to cobalt as Varuna’s bow sliced through the swells into the deeper waters of the strait. Ahead was the open ocean—the only place his demons left him at peace. The one place he still felt he belonged.”

Reviews + Praise

“I was drawn on this adventure through the lushness that is Indonesia to the gripping end in one sitting. What a fun ride! The central idea of protecting our oceans deserves to be promoted so all of us are made aware of the destruction being done. I can’t wait for Varuna’s next sailing.”
—*Goodreads reader (November 13, 2019)*

“What an eco-thriller! Varuna was a page turner from start to finish with several lines of intrigue; the readers become involved in the choices desperate, poor people have to make to survive. We are engaged with environmental poaching and degradation. We are tantalized by the underwater beauty off the islands of Indonesia. And we experience the interactions of scientists, dive boat crews, and a lawless captain. Yes, and a bit of romance spices up the story. Highly recommended!” —*Amazon Kindle reader (December 30, 2019)*

Check out *Varuna*'s other 5-star reviews on [Amazon](#) & [Goodreads](#)



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Portland-based author Phillip Vincent has spent the last 40 years diving in exotic locations around the world. While the majestic locales of his adventures are a far cry from his career recovering the assets of failed financial institutions, he combines these experiences in his debut adventure thriller, *Varuna*.