Surfing USA! : an illustrated history of the coolest sport of all time / by Ben Marcus ; foreword by Steve Pezman of The Surfer's Journal ; photographs and artwork by Jeff Divine, John Severson, LeRoy Grannis, Ron Dahlquist, Rick Griffin, Greg Noll, Doc Ball, and more

Description

Surfing is not just a sport; it's a pop-culture phenomenon that cojures up images of chiseled, bronzed daredevils dancing over the waves under a brilliant Southern California sun. Surfing has created legends, while seizing the spotlight in every aspect of beach culture, in movies, in fashion, and in music. Surfing epitomizes youth, adventure, rebellion, and the drive to do things a little differently.....Yet, through the years, surfing has maintained its reputation as a refuge for nonconformists; the often-below-the-radar individualistic lifestyle defies a dry chronicle neatly tied up with a bow. A comprehensive history of the sport by Ben Marcus, a man who lived it and who knows and loves it like nothing else, Surfing USA! is anything but dry; it truly captures the glamour and excitement of this extreme sport. If you're still in awe of that first surfboard, still stoked by hanging ten, or still dreaming of that elusive wave, then this book is for you.