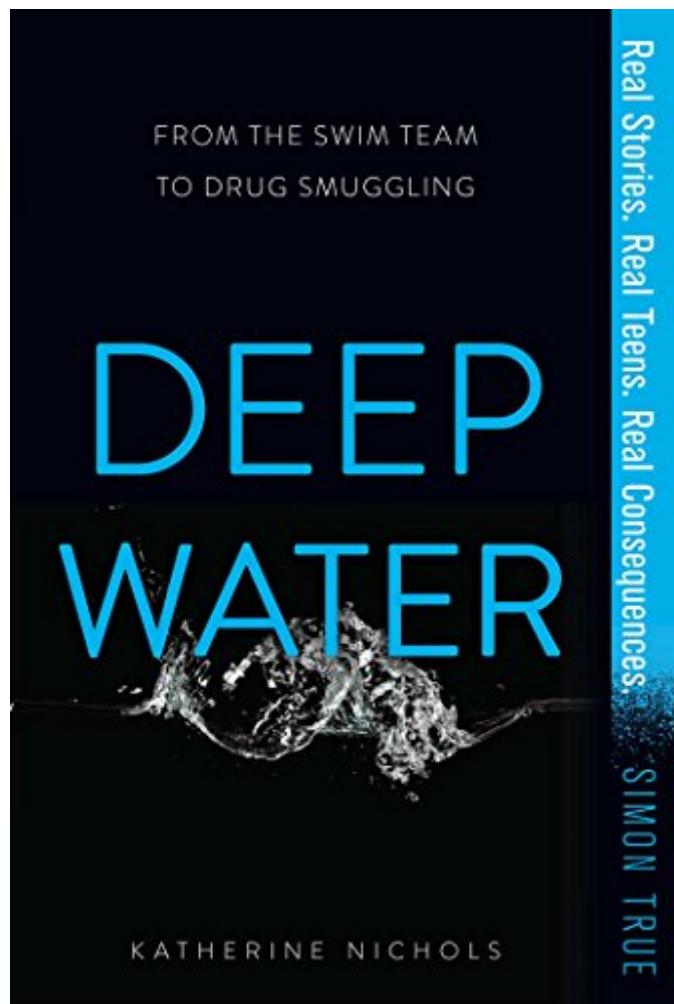


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# Deep Water (Simon True)



## Synopsis

Real stories. Real teens. Real crimes. A group of teens traffic drugs between Mexico and California in this start to the brand-new Simon True series. It's 1971 in Coronado, a small southern California beach town. For seventeen-year-old Eddie Otero, a skilled waterman and avid surfer, life is simple. Then a friend makes him an offer: Swim an illicit package across the border from Mexico. The intense workout is dangerous. Thrilling. Lucrative. And the beginning of a small business. When the young entrepreneurs involve their former high school Spanish teacher, the smuggling adventure grows into a one hundred million dollar global operation. Soon they become fugitives. Living on the edge, they vow to return to their normal lives—right after one last run.

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## Customer Reviews

I loved the story as it built and got into "deeper water". Not growing up in this area it was a slow start for me, had to look up locations to appreciate the growth of their smuggling empire. The detail of the research is fascinating. Short chapters allowed for my own geographical research. When it moved

to the east Coast where I live it was like home coming. - I gave this book to my daughter-in-law who grew in Santa Barbara and told her to pass it on to her parents who have lived there for 50 years. - This particular drug empire was run on such non violent terms, so unique because of it. But as the saying goes crime seldom pays, poof and it all disappeared once caught. The diligent work of the FBI and DEA is to be admired, we often do not appreciate how their hands are tied by rules and regulations. - Great Summer Read!

Set up in the shore town, this is a story about how some high school kids apply courage, entrepreneurship and initiative to take an unlawful path which lead them to riches and a life of luxury and riches. Along the way, they find some unusual guides including their teachers and friends. Eventually the law catches up! Katherine does a great job in narrating the story. She does a fantastic job of describing the characters and their background. To the point, that it feels that you almost know them personally. The plot is interestingly spread out between California, Mexico, Indonesia, Boston and a lot of other places. There are interesting historical reference of the TV shows, songs that take you back to the time and make the story nostalgic. Overall a great book!

Awesome book! The story line is great and the author makes you feel as if you are on the beach in the middle of the night feeling the salt spray in your face. Every once in a while I read a book that I can not put down, this is one of those books. My teenage boys are now reading it and love it as well and you know how hard it is to get teenagers to read. You can tell that the author did a lot of research to learn the stories of all involved as well as know about Coronado and the people that live there. I would recommend this book to anyone who like adventure stories. This would be a great summer read. Enjoy!

Could have gotten deeper. This seemed like an overview of what happened. The main four or five people that started it were really spoken about. But when you read more, there were over 80 people involved. This was no just something that four people got together to pull off. I got more out of the write-up online. The book didn't tell me anything I didn't already know.

Katherine Nichols writes beautifully. Each page is filled with details delivered in clear descriptions. Her writing easily transports the reader to each scene in the story. This ranges from scenes of ethereal natural coastal beauty to those of nail-biting human interactions. There is obvious attention to detail highlighting both the research and the relationships built in the writing of this book.

The book grabs you at the outset and what initially seems like high school kids getting into a little trouble, quickly leads the reader into "deeper water" as the characters become entrenched in high stakes drug smuggling. They were undone by their own greed and selfish lifestyles. I liked the quick pace and the short chapters.

I usually don't have time to read or I fall asleep soon after picking up a book, but not with "Deep Water." I made the time because I couldn't wait to get back to it! The true story of small town high school buddies and their former Spanish teacher going down the path of greed and destruction is riveting! This is a must read!

Very well written book that went into some detail that was not in another book written on the subject. Good read, especially for locals who know the history of the Coronado Company.

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