

# An Island, An Obsession, and the Furious Pursuit of Great Fish





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## **By John A. Jackson**

In the remote and windswept South Atlantic Ocean, lies a tiny volcanic island called Ascension. It is a place of stark beauty, with black lava fields, towering cliffs, and crashing waves. But for one man, Ascension Island was more than just a remote outpost. It was an obsession.

John A. Jackson, a lifelong fisherman, had heard tales of the giant bonefish that inhabited the waters around Ascension Island. These fish, some of the largest and most powerful in the world, were the stuff of legend. Jackson was determined to catch one.

And so began Jackson's epic quest. He traveled to Ascension Island multiple times, spending weeks at a time fishing from the shore and from small boats. He endured scorching heat, relentless wind, and pounding surf. But despite his best efforts, the great fish eluded him.

Jackson's obsession with the bonefish grew stronger with each failed attempt. He became consumed by the pursuit, neglecting his family and friends. He spent all of his money on fishing gear and travel expenses. But still, the fish remained out of reach.

Just when Jackson was about to give up, he had a breakthrough. He realized that he had been fishing in the wrong spot. The giant bonefish were not in the shallows, as he had thought, but in the deep water off the island's sheer cliffs.

Armed with this new knowledge, Jackson returned to Ascension Island. He spent days fishing from a small boat, trolling a large fly behind it. And finally, after years of searching, he hooked a giant bonefish.

The fight was epic. The fish leaped from the water multiple times, trying to throw the hook. But Jackson held on, his muscles burning. Finally, after an hour-long battle, he landed the fish. It was a giant bonefish, weighing over 100 pounds.

Jackson's dream had come true. He had caught the fish of a lifetime. But more than that, he had proven to himself that anything is possible if you are willing to never give up.

**In his book, *An Island, An Obsession, and the Furious Pursuit of Great Fish*, Jackson tells the story of his epic quest. It is a tale of adventure, obsession, and the power of the human spirit.**

If you love fishing, adventure, or memoirs, then you will love this book. It is a story that will stay with you long after you finish it.

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