

TOKELAU

People, Atolls & History

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This book is a straightforward history and description of Tokelau, New Zealand's only South Pacific island territory. It covers the colonial history, Peruvian slave trading, New Zealand administration and the RNZAF, the Second World War, Development and Aid Projects, modern Tokelau, as well as Tokelauan culture and the flora and fauna of the islands.

It is written for Tokelauans, the general public of New Zealand who know so little about Tokelau and those interested in the history of the Pacific Islands. As the book emphasises the connections between Tuvalu, Kiribati and Tokelau, it is likely to appeal to those with an interest in Tuvalu, Kiribati and the former British colony: The Gilbert & Ellice Islands, of which Tokelau was once a part.

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