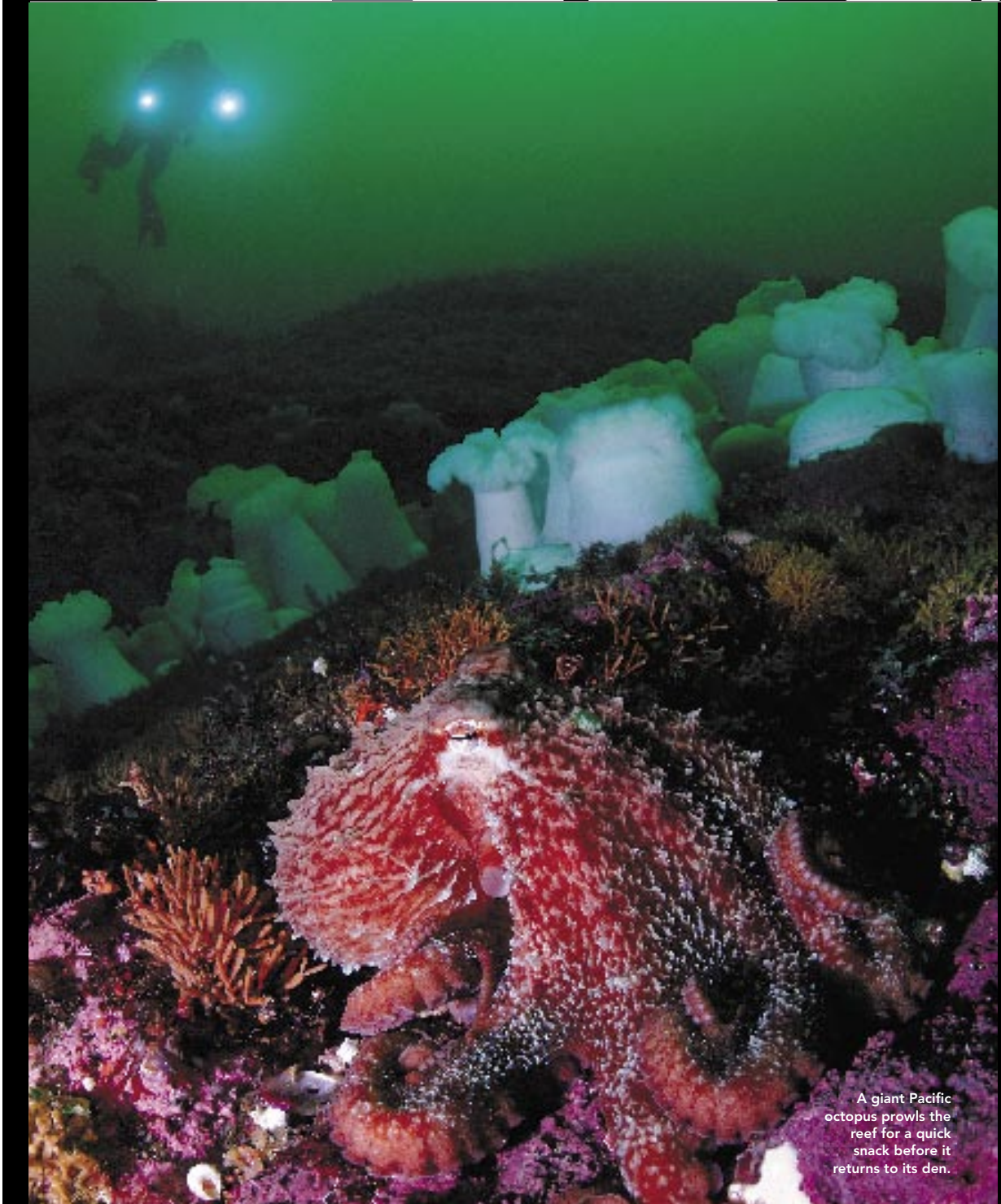




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WOODEN ISLAND. This tiny, remote island off the southern tip of Baranof Island is surrounded by a rich menagerie of marine life in as little as five to 30 feet of water. Giant gray whales use "bubble nets" to feed at the surface while Stellar's sea lions dart through beds of bull kelp. White plumose anemones, stick bryozoans and encrusting hydrocoral cloak the rocky base of the island down to 90 feet.



A giant Pacific octopus prowls the reef for a quick snack before it returns to its den.