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LEFT

Harlequin Shrimp
East of Bali, Indonesia
By Vincenzo Apuzzo
Sardegna, Italy
www.divesardegna.com

The Story: "Harlequin shrimp normally live in pairs and their main diet is starfish. They drag them to their den and eat them alive—then leave one leg of the starfish to crawl away and live another day. It takes a good eye and patience to find this beautiful shrimp, which looks like candy."

Olympus C5060WZ; lens at 14.5mm; 1/60 sec at f/8; ISO 200; Ikelite UW housing; Ikelite DS125 strobe.

OPPOSITE, TOP

Longnose Hawkfish
Tubbataha Island, Philippines
By Franco Banfi
Cadro, Switzerland
www.banfi.ch

The Story: "Extremely shy and suspicious, longnose hawkfish can be difficult to photograph. I was lucky to catch these two in a good mood; they allowed me to take only this picture and then quickly moved behind the coral."

Canon EOS-1Ds Mark II; 100mm macro lens; 1/200 sec at f/16; ISO 50; Seacam UW housing; SeaFlash 150 strobes (2).

OPPOSITE, BOTTOM

Arrow Crab, Breakers Reef,
Palm Beach, Florida, USA
By Michael Patrick O'Neill
Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, USA
www.mpostock.com

The Story: "While diving on the Breakers Reef, I swam past an anemone and its resident arrow crab. Using a lens that has an incredible up-close focusing capability, I photographed this peculiar crab inside the anemone to give a unique perspective of its little universe."

Nikon D700; Tokina AF 10-17mm f/3.5-4.5 fisheye lens at 17mm; 1.4x teleconverter; 1/160 sec at f/13; ISO 800; Aquatica UW housing; Inon Z-220 strobes (2).