

FOCUS UNDERWATER

IT IS A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT WORLD
UNDERWATER – STRANGE, SILENT
AND HYPNOTIC. LIKE BEING INSIDE AN
ENORMOUS LIGHT BOX WITH RAYS COMING
THROUGH THE SURFACE, THE UNDERSIDE
LIKE A MIRROR, BUT AT THE SAME TIME,
NEVER STILL. IT IS A PLACE THAT HAS
ALWAYS HELD AN ATTRACTION.

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This image was taken whilst on a recce trip for a documentary about the Moken - one of the last remaining truly nomadic sea gypsies left in the world. The Moken roam the islands of the Mergui Archipelago, off the South West coast of Myanmar, living on boats for the majority of the year. A major difficulty we had was finding them.

The Moken have an amazing ability to free-dive and they spear fish to hunt for their food. Part of a series, this image was taken while down on the sea bed, with all our cumbersome diving gear on, as they were gracefully free diving down to us whilst spear-fishing.