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The Wanderer

Have you ever wanted to learn how to sail? How to Sail: An Introduction to Sailing for Beginners will have you sailing in no time! You will learn the basics of sailing, the different types of sailboats and their parts, sailing terms and everything else that you need to know before you get on the water. Happy Sailing!

Yachtmaster for Sail and Power

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This is not just an instructional book---it's an insight into a sailor's approach to the sea, boats, and the ever-changing dynamic of wind on the water "A learn-to-sail book with heart."--WoodenBoat "A real winner a masterful blend of straightforward text with delightful and instructive illustrations. Quite simply a great primer on sailing and the world of boats for readers of all ages."--Cruising World "Teaches sailing with flair and poetry."--SAIL "A great walk-through for the novice, both entertaining and thorough."--Sailing "Sits in a class by itself. Elegantly simple, encyclopedic in scope, and a delightful reference for any novice—with lots to offer intermediate sailors, too."--Kalamazoo Gazette If you never sailed, sailed once, or have sailed for a lifetime, this book is perfect for beginners but deep enough content for those interested in going beyond basics. Revised and expanded to include racing and GPS navigation, The Complete Sailor is not just a how-to sail book, but a book that teaches you how to become a sailor. Inside you 'll find: An all-in-one, comprehensive introduction to sailing Up-to-date information on techniques and approaches offered by the changing nature of the sport Exquisite pen-and-ink illustrations Topics include: Wind Sense; Working Winds; Getting Underway; The Boat; Rigging; Sails; Under Power; Rules of the Road; Anchoring; Ropework; Marlinspike Seamanship; Emergencies; Sea and Sky; Navigation; Racing; Trailering

Dinghy Sailing

"It takes thousands of hours of sailing to get the kind of knowledge contained in this book." -- from the Foreword by Bruce Schwab The ONLY bible for how to sail your boat fast, safe, and alone Solo sailing is within any sailor's grasp with a little forethought--and this essential guide. Got a 35-foot sailboat? No

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problem. Is the wind blowing 20 knots? No problem. Are you racing offshore overnight? Even better. Singlehander Andrew Evans learned the hard way how to sail and race alone--with lots of mishaps, including broaches and a near tumbling over a waterfall--and in Singlehanded Sailing he shares the techniques, tips, and tactics he has developed to make his solo sailing adventures safe and enriching. Learn everything you need to know to meet any solo challenge, including: Managing the power consumption aboard a boat to feed the electric autopilot Setting and gybing a spinnaker Finding time to sleep Dealing with heavy weather

Tactics Made Simple

Facing Fear is the inspiring true story of Lisa Blair, who on 25 July 2017 became the first woman to sail solo around Antarctica. She very nearly didn ' t live to tell the tale. Seventy-two days into her circumnavigation, when Lisa was more than 1000 nautical miles from land, the mast of Climate Action Now came crashing down in a ferocious storm. In freezing conditions, Lisa battled massive waves and gale-force winds, fighting through the night to save her life and her boat. Following her ordeal, Lisa relied on her unbreakable spirit to beat the odds and complete her world record. With unwavering focus and determination, she sailed home, completing her journey after 183 days. This is the story of her remarkable voyage.

Florida Keys and Key West

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The Complete Sailor, Second Edition

Yachtmaster for Sail and Power is a major reference book that has proved invaluable for the many sailors following the RYA Coastal Skipper/Yachtmaster Offshore course. This highly respected and refreshingly practical study guide covers the whole syllabus in detail, all illustrated with colour photographs, charts and worked examples throughout. It covers:

- Chartwork - with useful worked examples
- Electronic navigation - how to use the latest technology for safe navigation: radar, electronic chart plotting and GPS
- Pilotage - buoyage fully explained and illustrated
- Communications - information on current maritime communications including GMDSS
- Weather - the elements of meteorology, weather sources and forecasts
- Safety and survival - all the new SOLAS regulations detailed
- Stability and buoyancy - the principles simply explained.

Including the latest updates, new artwork and a modern design, this fourth edition compliments the syllabus and assists with exam preparation - an essential companion for anyone enrolling on the RYA Yachtmaster course, whether for sail or power.

Steve Colgate on Sailing

First Sail

The Complete Sailor

Summary Deep Learning with Python introduces the field of deep learning using the Python language and the powerful Keras library. Written by Keras creator and Google AI researcher François Chollet, this book builds your understanding through intuitive explanations and practical examples. Purchase of the print book includes a free eBook in PDF, Kindle, and ePub formats from Manning Publications.

About the Technology Machine learning has made remarkable progress in recent years. We went from near-unusable speech and image recognition, to near-human accuracy. We went from machines that couldn't beat a serious Go player, to defeating a world champion. Behind this progress is deep learning--a combination of engineering advances, best practices, and theory that enables a wealth of previously impossible smart applications.

About the Book Deep Learning with Python introduces the field of deep learning using the Python language and the powerful Keras library. Written by Keras creator and Google AI researcher François Chollet, this book builds your understanding through intuitive explanations and practical examples. You'll explore challenging concepts and practice with applications in computer vision, natural-language processing, and generative models. By the time you finish, you'll have the knowledge and hands-on skills to apply deep learning in your own projects. What's Inside Deep learning from first principles Setting up your own deep-learning environment Image-classification models Deep learning for text and sequences Neural style transfer, text generation, and image generation

About the Reader Readers need intermediate Python skills. No previous experience with Keras, TensorFlow, or machine learning is required.

About the Author François Chollet works on deep learning at Google in Mountain View, CA. He is the creator of the Keras deep-learning library, as well as a contributor to the TensorFlow machine-learning framework. He also does deep-learning

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research, with a focus on computer vision and the application of machine learning to formal reasoning. His papers have been published at major conferences in the field, including the Conference on Computer Vision and Pattern Recognition (CVPR), the Conference and Workshop on Neural Information Processing Systems (NIPS), the International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR), and others. Table of Contents PART 1 - FUNDAMENTALS OF DEEP LEARNING What is deep learning? Before we begin: the mathematical building blocks of neural networks Getting started with neural networks Fundamentals of machine learning PART 2 - DEEP LEARNING IN PRACTICE Deep learning for computer vision Deep learning for text and sequences Advanced deep-learning best practices Generative deep learning Conclusions appendix A - Installing Keras and its dependencies on Ubuntu appendix B - Running Jupyter notebooks on an EC2 GPU instance

Sailing Made Easy

Covers rigging, safety precautions, steering, trimming the sails, jibing, tacking, heeling, emergency procedures, and docking

Catamarans

The Practice of Natural Movement

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Previously published as *On the Wind*, this new edition takes the reader from the first sail to a mastery of small-boat handling, including navigation, design, seamanship, anchoring, ropework, rigging, weather, rules of the road, trailering and working the winds. 600 illustrations.

Fast Track to Cruising

Interested in learning to sail but feel like you 're navigating in murky waters? *Sailing for Dummies, Second Edition* introduces the basics of sailing, looks at the different types of sailboats and their basic parts, and teaches you everything you need to know before you leave the dock. In *Sailing for Dummies, Second Edition*, two U.S. sailing champions show you how to: Find and choose a sailing school Use life jackets correctly Tie ten nautical knots Handle sailing emergencies (such as capsizing and rescuing a man overboard) Launch your boat from a trailer, ramp, or beach Get your boat from point A to point B (and back again) Predict and respond to water and wind conditions Read charts, plot your course, use a compass, and find your position at sea *Sailing for Dummies* shows you that getting out on the water is easier than you think. The authors keep the sailor-speak to a minimum where possible, but give you a grasp of the terminology you need to safely and effectively communicate with your crew. A textbook, user 's manual, and reference all in one, this book takes the intimidation out of sailing and gives you the skills and confidence you need to get your feet wet and become the sailing pro you 've always wanted to be. Anchors away!

RYA Tactics (E-G40)

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Sailing Made Easy is the first step in a voyage that will last you the rest of your life. It is a gift from a group of dedicated sailing professionals who have committed their lives to sharing their art, their skill, and their passion for this wonderful activity. This book, which Sailing Magazine called "best in class" upon its release in 2010, is the most comprehensive education and boating safety learn-to-sail guide to date. It is also the official textbook for the ASA Basic Keelboat Standard (ASA 101). Incorporated in the textbook are useful illustrations and exceptional photographs of complex sailing concepts. The text 's most distinguishing feature is its user friendly "spreads" in which instructional topics are self-contained on opposing pages throughout the book. There are also chapter end quizzes and a glossary to help those new to sailing to navigate their way through the extensive nautical terminology.

Performance Sailing and Racing

Quickly and easily master the sailing fundamentals you'll need to get out on the water.

Sailing

The modern cruising catamaran has arrived The arguments are over and the verdict is in--cruising catamarans comprise a rapidly growing percentage of the cruising fleet worldwide. Their advantages of space, stability, speed, and handling under power are truly compelling, and modern cats are every bit as reliable as monohulls. This long overdue, in-depth guide will help you choose and cruise the right catamaran for your needs. " An authoritative guide for novices and experienced sailors; the best book

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written on the subjects since the early 1990s. ” -- “ Trimaran ” Jim Brown, renowned multihull designer
“ In Catamarans, Gregor Tarjan shares his enthusiasm for yachts with two hulls, based on years of sailing all types. An excellent introduction. ” --Dick Newick, legendary catamaran and trimaran designer
“ If you are contemplating spending hundreds of thousands of dollars on a cruising catamaran, the small price of this book is probably the best investment you could possibly start with. ” --from the Foreword by Charles K. Chiodi, publisher of Multihulls Magazine

How to Read Water

RYA Tactics is the go-to handbook for all sailors and coaches interested in improving their performance on the race course. Written by sailing tactics specialist Mark Rushall, it is based on his many years of successful dinghy and keelboat racing, and his career as an Olympic sailing coach. Packed with easy-to-digest advice and information, it has clear diagrams and explanations and features excellent photography throughout to demonstrate racing in action. RYA Tactics breaks down the myths around racing tactics and provides you with winning strategies for a wide range of race courses and weather conditions. Written from the perspective of both coach and sailor, RYA Tactics takes you logically and holistically through each aspect of a sailing race. Shedding a new light on mastering race tactics, it has three easy-to-follow sections: Setting the scene Before the start The race The third edition features new chapters that include cutting-edge advice on analysing weather conditions, club racing, positioning as a strategy, and tactics in fast boats. It also discusses strategy building and looks at all parts of the race in detail, recommending specific tactics for each stage. Whether you ' re looking to understand wind shifts better, start fast, use a race compass, or get round the marks first, this book will get you there.

Learning to Sail: The Annapolis Sailing School Guide for Young Sailors of All Ages

This is the edition to purchase if you plan to take your General Exam after July 1, 2019. If your plan is to take it before then, please see the earlier edition of this program, under the same title. Everything you need to prepare for your General Class ham license. Covers every question on the General exam. Memorizing 400+ random answers is hard -- and boring. Learning is easy! If you've made the decision to open up your ham radio world by going for the General Class License, great! General is certainly more challenging than Technician, but The Fast Track to Your General Class Ham Radio License explains the reasoning and technology behind each correct answer on the General Class exam so you'll understand and remember the subject matter. Created by an experienced ham and adult educator, it's like having your own, patient, experienced, good-humored mentor for the exam. To get your General Class license you must pass a multiple-choice test. The General license test consists of 35 questions drawn from a pool of 462. Memorizing the answers to 462 disconnected questions is difficult, but The Fast Track makes getting your upgrade easier by explaining the logic behind each correct answer. It's simple: When you understand the material, and you have a context for the material, you remember the answers and pass the test. Best of all, once you've passed your exam you'll have a solid grounding in ham radio basics. - Includes every possible question and every answer - Correct answers clearly marked in bold - Precise instructions for how to locate a testing session, how to prepare, and even what to bring -- and what not to bring -- to the test. - All technical topics explained in clear, plain language, often with illustrations - Step by step instructions to solve all the math problems - Test taking strategies - Hints to easily solve many questions and avoid the traps in the test - Written in "learning order", not just the (confusing) order of the official question bank. - Covers questions that will be used until June 30, 2019. -

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Over 300 pages packed with information Rave reviews for The Fast Track To Your Technician Class Ham Radio License: "This is a great book. So many of the study guides are just question dumps and it's a horrible way to learn, at least for me. I need an explanation and something to keep my interest and Mr. Burnette's book fit the bill perfectly. I echo all the sentiments of the other reviewers, the author is a top notch communicator." "Michael Burnette's ham radio exam prep book is the most useful and comprehensive book that I have found on this subject and makes getting ready for this exam not only easy, but fun. I have learned so much since studying this guide and feel ready to take this exam at a moment's notice. The guide has a wealth of information, not only on the questions and answers, but on the exam itself that is sure to put any test taker's mind at ease." "The Audible copy was GREAT because Michael Burnette is an exciting and entertaining and memorable guide!" "Thank you! Thank you a thousand times over. I bought your book in order to study for my tech license(Kindle version) and the audiobook and I loved them! I originally bought ** *****'s CD's and they confused me. I bought yours and it made learning simple and enjoyable. I did this to surprise my husband of 30 years who has had a license since the early parts of our marriage. He has asked me off and on to consider getting a license and I kept saying no. Well with the help of your book and audiobook, I was able to blow his doors off and pass my technician exam first try. Now if you only had volumes for general and expert, the world would be perfect. Seriously thanks again."

Sailing

Olympic gold medallist and multiple world champion, Paul Goodison, explains why this book is important if you want to win races. He says: " To win sailboat races you need to sail the boat fast. This

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comes down to hours on the water training and tuning – there are few shortcuts to hours of practising on the water. To consistently win races you need to sail fast and smart – making the right decisions to sail the best course. If you are not the fastest boat, you are still able to win races and regattas by managing risk and sailing smart. This is where good tactics come in. But, unlike boatspeed, tactics may be learnt by thinking about each leg of the course and different situations from the comfort of your own home. Jon Emmett ’ s new book, *Tactics Made Simple*, is a great tool to help fast track this learning. ” This book explains simply, through hundreds of diagrams, what tactics can be applied around the race track. Individual boats in each scenario are given names so that you can easily understand what they are doing. Individual chapters take you around the race course, from before you get on the water, through the pre-start, start, different legs and manoeuvres. Each section contains detailed advice for the beginner, intermediate and advanced sailor so you can just look at the level of tactics relevant to you. Ideal for dinghy sailors, there is also a wealth of advice that will benefit yachtsmen. This is a practical way to improve your racing results, whether starting out, moving up the club circuit or competing at national level and beyond. Originally published by Wiley Nautical as *Be Your Own Tactics Coach*.

How to Sail

Some folks call it paradise, others just call it heaven. This guide gives the complete scoop on the treasures of the Keys--from stingrays to spoonbills, Key limes to margaritas, mangrove islets to coral reefs. Share the wealth like a local in this area rich in history, water sports, arts, nature, and cuisine.

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Half Fast

Doris Colgate, a nationally known sailor and sailing instructor, has written the ideal how-to sail book for women, with a practical, down-to-earth, low-key approach perfectly suited to women's learning styles. Sailing covers it all, from basic sailing techniques, to safety skills, to building confidence, to racing tactics. Doris Colgate, a nationally known sailor and sailing instructor, has written the ideal how-to sail book for women, with a practical, down-to-earth, low-key approach perfectly suited to women's learning styles. Sailing covers it all, from basic sailing techniques, to safety skills, to building confidence, to racing tactics. Perfect for the woman with a family, and for the woman thinking of getting her own sailboat. Inspirational anecdotes from other women sailors enliven the text.

Facing Fear

Erwan Le Corre, creator of the world-renowned fitness system MovNat, is on a mission to reintroduce natural movement to our modern lives with the most ancient movement skill set: walking, running, balancing, jumping, crawling, climbing, swimming, lifting, carrying, throwing, catching, and self-defense. Try to imagine an out-of-shape tiger stepping on an exercise machine to get a workout. It doesn't make any sense, does it? Wild animals simply move the way nature intended, and they become powerful, healthy, and free in the process. So why should it be any different for us? We have become "zoo-humans," separated from nature and living movement-impooverished, unnatural lifestyles. As a result, we are suffering physically, mentally, and spiritually. Exercise has become artificial and boring--a chore, if

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not a punishment. We are training parts of our bodies, not the whole, and we have lost our drive for movement. What we need is not a better understanding of exercise physiology or more variety in fitness programs and modalities. What we need is simplicity, meaning, purpose, inspiration, and enjoyment. We need to get back to natural movement. In *The Practice of Natural Movement*, Le Corre demonstrates our innate and versatile ability to perform practical and adaptable movements. With countless techniques and movement variations, as well as strategies for practicing anytime and anywhere, he will inspire you to build a naturally strong and flexible body and to form yourself anew into a mindful, skillful, and physically capable human being.

Sailing Fundamentals

The economy of Maldives faced two very challenging episodes traced to the 2004 tsunami and the 2008-2009 global financial crisis. To develop alternative sources of funding and to improve services delivery, the government, with the help of partners like the Asian Development Bank and others, succeeded in transforming the country's revenue system into a modern, e-enabled system for effective tax collection and development of a broader tax base. Find out more about Maldives' fast-track approach to tax reforms which can serve as a guide for other developing countries.

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Yachting

John Kretschmer is sailing's practical philosopher — as much a doer as a thinker. And that is the overarching theme of this chronicle of a sailing life. Often amusing, sometimes poignant, occasionally terrifying but always inspiring, his deeply personal account is a welcome reminder of the good life waiting at sea. With hundreds of thousands of nautical miles under his keel, John's adventures have taken him several times around the world, with challenging crossings of the Atlantic and the Pacific, a narrow escape from a coup in Yemen, an unlikely deliverance from a coral reef off Belize as well as more serene, introspective passages where trade winds are blowing and stories are flowing. His crew has included CEOs, actors, writers, teachers, kids — in essence, everyone. John's narrative is interwoven with practical tips and advice in seamanship, but also, and just as importantly, his hard-won insights about making the most of our lives. He truly believes we find out who we really are, and what we are capable of, far from the shackles of land, when we find a place where time changes shape — days may merge into one another, but minutes are memorable. To live adventurously is to live more fully, and that is the life John Kretschmer continues to live. In this book he shares his simple profundities that will inspire those who live to sail, and those seeking something more rewarding from life.

Start Powerboating Right

A New York Times Bestseller A Forbes Top 10 Conservation and Environment Book of 2016 Read the sea like a Viking and interpret ponds like a Polynesian—with a little help from the “ natural

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navigator ” ! In his eye-opening books *The Lost Art of Reading Nature ’ s Signs* and *The Natural Navigator*, Tristan Gooley helped readers reconnect with nature by finding direction from the trees, stars, clouds, and more. Now, he turns his attention to our most abundant—yet perhaps least understood—resource. Distilled from his far-flung adventures—sailing solo across the Atlantic, navigating with Omani tribespeople, canoeing in Borneo, and walking in his own backyard—Gooley shares hundreds of techniques in *How to Read Water*. Readers will: Find north using puddles Forecast the weather from waves Decode the colors of ponds Spot dangerous water in the dark Decipher wave patterns on beaches, and more!

Singlehanded Sailing

From a racing master, all the knowledge you need to make your boat go faster and safer in any condition In *Performance Sailing and Racing*, Steve Colgate explains how to improve your sailing and push your boat to higher but safer speeds. He shows you how get your boat to perform as it was designed--with grace and an ease of motion--and to sail at a fast speed that can get you out of situations more quickly and arrive at your destination sooner. Used as one of the text books at the many branches of the Colgate Sailing School, *Performance Sailing and Racing* will help you get started in racing and improve as you learn. Even veteran sailors will pick up some new tips and tricks to becoming a successful racer. End-of-chapter quizzes reinforce what you learn so you can use your knowledge confidently on the water. Sail faster and smarter: Get the picture with clear, colorful photos and graphics Master vital topics relating to boat speed--sail trim, sheet lead angles, steering differences in light and heavy air Learn even those daunting topics, including using a spinnaker and understanding polar diagrams With this master

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teacher's wisdom on all the factors that make your boat sail better, you'll win the next race or just blow past the other boats in the outer harbor.

Sailing to the Edge of Time

Dinghy Sailing: Start to Finish is a complete reference for every level of sailor whether you are a beginner and need a straightforward, easy-to-understand guide or are taking your sailing to the next level and looking for the professional tips and tricks that will get you sailing faster, better, safer and having more fun. It includes single-handed dinghies through to planing speed craft. Full colour with 150 fantastic, clear illustrations and 150 photographs, Dinghy Sailing: Start to Finish gives the reader a thorough, complete and visual guide to life on the water. Packed with expert advice from the professionals at UKSA, the book covers: Basic Principles Parts of the boat - exploded illustrations of a dinghy and components How a boat sails - Sailing theory explained Points of sailing - Sailing a dinghy at different angles to the wind Choosing a dinghy - Types of boat and their suitability Preparing to sail - Safety afloat, practical clothing, rigging to launching. Knots and Ropes - Practical illustrations for basic knots and splices Transporting dinghies -Road trailer to roof racks Sailing for the first time - Balance, sail trim Rowing and paddling Rules of the road - Avoiding other boats, Rights of way, Basic racing rules Understanding tides and currents Weather forecasting - How to spot tell-tale signs of change in wind and weather Basic Techniques Tacking Gybing Beating to windward Reaching Running Spinnaker handling Capsize and recovery Returning to shore Packing the dingy away Maintenance Advanced Dinghy Sailing High performance dinghies and catamarans Trapezing Asymmetric spinnakers - Setting, handling and gybing Singlehanded sailing - dinghies and catamarans Tuning - dinghies and catamarans

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Heavy weather sailing - dinghies and catamarans The Basics of Racing The start - Practical lessons and rules explained First leg tactics - Practical lessons and rules explained Reaching - Practical lessons and rules explained Running - Practical lessons and rules explained Glossary of Terms

Sailing For Dummies

Adam goes sailing with his cousin Beth, who teaches him about sailboats and how to handle them, safety at sea, and other things sailors need to know, just in time for him to put his knowledge to good use when a storm comes up

Insiders' Guide® to Florida Keys and Key West, 14th

Quickly and easily master the sailing fundamentals you'll need to get out on the water.

Cruising World

Sailing: A Woman's Guide

The official learn-to-sail manual of the American Sailing Association and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary, with over 150 line drawings and photographs. Written by America ' s foremost instructional

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authority, the new edition of *Sailing Fundamentals* combines the training programs of the American Sailing Association and the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary. The official learn-to-sail manual of the American Sailing Association, it is also used in the programs of many yacht clubs, colleges, and sailing groups. Unlike most introductory sailing books, which reflect the biases and idiosyncrasies of their authors, *Sailing Fundamentals* has been extensively pretested by ASA professional instructors to ensure that it offers the fastest, easiest, most systematic way to learn basic sailing and basic coastal cruising. This book covers every aspect of beginning sailing—from hoisting sail to docking and anchoring—and specifically prepares the learner to qualify for sailing certification according to international standards. Widely acclaimed author Gary Jobson has won several major races, including the 1977 America's Cup victory as tactician aboard *Courageous*. He was head sailing coach at the US Naval Academy, and has conducted sailing clinics across the country.

Competent Crew

The learn-to-sail book for when you are in a hurry to gain your sea legs At the Offshore Sailing School, the Colgates have taught more than 100,000 adults how to sail. Now they are making their proven instructional methods available to you so you can fulfill your sailing dreams in little time. Though designed around three days of intensive instruction, the book adapts easily to any learning pace. You can master the fundamentals in three days--or over a summer of leisurely sailing.

Deep Learning with Python

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The what, how, why and when of sailing, cruising, and racing by the head of the famous Colgate Offshore Sailing Schools.

Cruising World

Ever thought of ditching your conventional life to buy a sailboat and go traveling the world as a modern-day sea nomad? Half Fast is the true story of a married couple in their thirties who do just that—a move some of their family and friends consider to be a 'half-assed scheme' at best. With little money and even less nautical experience they leave their small-town home in Arkansas to embark on an adventure they hope will last for a year or two but which evolves into a quarter-century voyage of discovery spanning half the world. Come along with Randy and Cheryl as they cruise their small boat to intriguing destinations that you won't find in any tourist brochure. Along the way they discover the best and worst the sailing life has to offer as they visit twenty-nine countries in the Caribbean, Central and South America and the South Pacific. Their adventures and misadventures include encounters with hurricanes, thieves, drug smugglers and a disastrous tsunami as well as lasting new friendships formed with local people and fellow sailors all along their route. Cruising under sail is a lifestyle like no other and though there are sometimes hardships, those who take the plunge will be rewarded with a life of adventure and freedom that may be impossible to find any other way in the modern world.

Cruising World

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Newbery Honor Book * ALA Notable Children's Book “ A beautifully written and imaginatively constructed novel that speaks to the power of survival and the delicacy of grief. ” —School Library Journal (starred review) This acclaimed bestselling Newbery Honor Book from multi-award-winning author Sharon Creech is a classic and moving story of adventure, self-discovery, and one girl's independence. Thirteen-year-old Sophie hears the sea calling, promising adventure and a chance for discovery as she sets sail for England with her three uncles and two cousins. Sophie ’ s cousin Cody isn ’ t so sure he has the strength to prove himself to the crew and to his father. Through Sophie ’ s and Cody ’ s travel logs, we hear stories of the past and the daily challenges of surviving at sea as The Wanderer sails toward its destination—and its passengers search for their places in the world. “ Sophie is a quietly luminous heroine, and readers will rejoice in her voyage. ” —BCCB (starred review) "Like Creech's *Walk Two Moons* and *Chasing Redbird*, this intimate novel poetically connects journey with self-discovery. ” —Publishers Weekly (starred review)

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Start Sailing

Learn how to handle a cruising sailboat in as little as seven days—even if you ’ ve never sailed before! Who says you have to be an experienced daysailor before you can think about cruising? Steve and Doris Colgate know that most of us don ’ t have that kind of time. At the Offshore Sailing School, the Colgates have helped more than 100,000 adults—three-quarters of whom started as beginning sailors or complete newcomers--take the helm of a midsize cruising sailboat. Now Fast Track to Cruising offers these proven instructional methods to all aspiring sailors with big dreams and little time. This is the very first guide that teaches sailing and cruising together, taking you from your first sail to independent cruising in one leap. You can make that leap in as little as seven days—as in the Colgates ’ “ Fast Track to Cruising ” course—or you can get there at a more leisurely pace. Either way, no other book will take you from your first tacking or docking maneuver to a mastery of navigation and diesel engines as efficiently as this one. "America's most experienced sailing instructors present a thorough and easy to understand look at cruising. Leisure time is precious. Safety is paramount. The Colgates will help you maximize your time on the water."--Gary Jobson, ESPN's lead sailing analyst and editor at large for Cruising World and Sailing World “ Doris and Steve Colgate understand that people want to reach their sailing goals as quickly as possible and they've built the excellent Fast Track program to accomplish it. ” --Bernadette Bernon, former editorial director of Cruising World magazine "Together Steve and Doris Colgate have been teaching beginners to sail for over half a century. In Fast Track to Cruising they have included every concept and procedure you need to get yourself from a want-to-be sailor to one who is knowledgeable and competent to take the helm--with confidence and a smile."--Charles Mason, Executive Editor, SAIL magazine

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