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<b>Title:</b>	<b>Author:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
<b>The Joys of Yachting</b>	Andy Lear	Crammed full of insightful and sometimes humorous personal experiences, this book takes the reader from lounging on deck with a gin and tonic through to full-on yacht racing where the sailing (and sometimes the drinking) is definitely not for the faint of stomach. Cast off your mooring lines and join Andy as he navigates through the vast area that is yachting. Find out why he was once seen going backwards at full pelt in Portsmouth harbour with the spinnaker billowing out the front. Prepare to be offended at a somewhat risqué joke in chapter nine. The wind is fair and the tide is right. Welcome to the wonderful world of yachting.
<b>The Overlook Illustrated Dictionary of Nautical Terms (Sea) (pdf)</b>	Graham Blackburn	An essential reference work for anyone interested in knowing about ships and boats. It would be useful for the armchair sailor reading Melville novels as well as for people who actually go to sea for sport or work. It's accurate, very comprehensive (350 pages or so), yet concise and well written. The drawings that go along with many of the definitions are very informative. The academic researcher will find it great for learning general seafaring terminology but won't be able to find the arcane terms peculiar to fields such as nautical archaeology or naval architecture. Its convenient size and layout makes it easy to consult without any effort. It doesn't talk about particular ships, individuals, or historical events, topics that are more appropriate for an encyclopedia like the "Oxford Companion to Ships and the Sea". I've had mine for about 15 years and I'm always discovering something new. I recommend it for anyone wanting a nautical dictionary.
<b>International Bareboat Skipper</b>	International Yacht Training (IYT)	
<b>International Watchkeeper &amp; Flotilla Skipper</b>	International Yacht Training (IYT)	
<b>Introduction to Boating &amp; International Crew</b>	International Yacht Training (IYT)	
<b>Sailing alone around the world</b>	Joshua Slocum	He was given the Spray, a century old oyster boat that "wants some repairs". Two years and \$500 later he had rebuilt the wreck into an oceangoing wonder. He was given the Spray, a century old oyster boat that "wants some repairs". Two years and \$500 later he had rebuilt the wreck into an oceangoing wonder. On his 40,000 mile, three year voyage, Slocum visited six of the seven continents where he met cannibals, presidents, outlaws, and ambassadors. Amazingly, throughout he lived 'off the land' as it were, fishing, trading, and giving lectures to keep his pantry full. He also met some remarkable people including Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson and Paul Kruger, who, believing the world was flat, warned Slocum not to fall off! This adventure will captivate sailors and landlubbers alike.
<b>Once Is Enough</b>	Miles Smeeton	Miles Smeeton and his wife Beryl sailed their 46-ft Bermuda ketch, Tzu Hang, in the wild seas of Cape Horn following the tracks of the old sailing clippers through the world's most notorious waters. This is an exciting true story of survival against all odds, but it is also a thoughtful book which provides hard-learned lessons for other intrepid sailors.
<b>The strange last voyage of Donald Crowhurst</b>	Nicholas Tomalin	In 1968, Donald Crowhurst was trying to market a nautical navigation device he had developed, and saw the Sunday Times Golden Globe round the world sailing race as the perfect opportunity to showcase his product. Few people knew that he wasn't an experienced deep-water sailor. His progress was so slow that he decided to short-cut the journey, while falsifying his location through radio messages from his supposed course. Everyone following the race thought that he was winning, and a hero's welcome awaited him at home in Britain. But on 10 July 1968, eight months after he set off, his wife was told that his boat had been discovered drifting in mid-Atlantic. Crowhurst was missing, assumed drowned, and there was much speculation that this was one of the great mysteries of the sea.
<b>Close to the Wind - An Extraordinary Story of Triumph Over Adversity</b>	Pete Goss	Pete Goss became a national and international hero when he rescued French yachtsman Raphael Dinelli as his boat sank beneath him in the round-the-world single-handed sailing race, the Vendée Globe, on Christmas Day 1996. In doing so Pete scuppered his own chances in the race but was awarded the Legion d'Honneur by France's president and made a friend for life in Dinelli. Close to the Wind is his own story of the race and its dramas, his revolutionary boat, Aqua Quorum, his thoughts and emotions during four months of solitude at sea, the extraordinary surgery that he had to perform on his own elbow and the aftermath of the rescue in the Southern Ocean.

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<b>Sailing for Dummies</b>	Peter Isler	Interested in learning to sail but feel like you're navigating in murky waters? Sailing for Dummies 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.
<b>A Voyage for Madmen</b>	Peter Nichols	In 1968, nine sailors set off on the most daring race ever held: to single-handedly circumnavigate the globe nonstop. It was a feat that had never been accomplished and one that would forever change the face of sailing. Ten months later, only one of the nine men would cross the finish line and earn fame, wealth, and glory. For the others, the reward was madness, failure, and death. In this extraordinary book, Peter Nichols chronicles a contest of the individual against the sea, waged at a time before cell phones, satellite dishes, and electronic positioning systems. A Voyage for Madmen is a tale of sailors driven by their own dreams and demons, of horrific storms in the Southern Ocean, and of those riveting moments when a split-second decision means the difference between life and death.
<b>Advanced Sailing</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Competent Crew</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Day Skipper</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Day Skipper Practical Course Notes</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Flag Etiquette &amp; Visual Signals</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Instructors Handbook</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Navigation Exercises</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Navigation Handbook</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Radar Guide</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Sea Survival Handbook</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>The Yachtsman's Lawyer</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>VHF Radio Exams</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>VHF Radio GMDSS</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Weather Handbook</b>	Royal Yachting Association (RYA)	
<b>Sailing Essentials</b>	Steve Sleight	All you need to know when you're at sea. Whether you're setting sail for the first time or have been sailing for years, Sailing Essentials is the perfect companion. Full of practical advice on every aspect of sailing, from basic manoeuvres to dealing with difficult weather conditions, it also includes guidance on fundamental maintenance and repairs. Step-by-step sequences take you through the key techniques of sailing, such as trimming the sails and plotting a course plus detailed instructions on emergency procedures and first aid. A handy waterproof clip-on cover means you can have it on hand in any weather. Packed with invaluable information, Sailing Essentials is perfect as a skipper's back up manual or a quick reference guide for novice sailors. You won't want to set sail without it.
<b>Manual of Seamanship</b>	Tom Cunliffe	
<b>The Complete Yachtmaster</b>	Tom Cunliffe	The Complete Yachtmaster builds knowledge as it builds sailing confidence, guiding examination candidates authoritatively and reassuringly through the Royal Yachting Association syllabus as a sea pilot bringing a ship safely to harbour. Required reading for all skippers and budding skippers, both on board or in the classroom.
<b>The Narrowboat Guide A Complete Guide to Choosing, Designing and Maintaining a Narrowboat (2016)</b>	Tony Jones	The UK has over 1000 miles of navigable canals and rivers which are home to an estimated 70,000 boats. To the untrained eye canal boats can all look much the same, but there are some very important distinctions and a new buyer has some important choices to make. This book discusses those choices, taking into consideration the various boating profiles. From those choosing to live on board permanently, to constant cruisers, weekend boaters and fair-weather cruisers, each will require a different type of boat if they are to fully enjoy their vessel. The book covers finding and buying a boat, the legalities of purchase, the different features and utilities, finding a mooring, boating health and safety, the cost of boating, boat maintenance, boating etiquette and many other frequently asked questions. This is the inside story on buying, maintaining and using a narrowboat from someone who has done so for more than seven years.

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<b>Storm Passage - Alone Around Cape Horn</b>	Webb Chiles	He writes at the outset: 'I will know defeat, despair, fear, beauty, serenity and peace. I will be tested far beyond anything I have ever imagined.' And tested he was--by storms, three capsizes, hurricane force winds, cyclones, week-long calms, sleet, snow, frostbite. He endured to experience exhilaration and accomplishment in solitude , and the peace of being in supreme harmony with the sea-world around him."