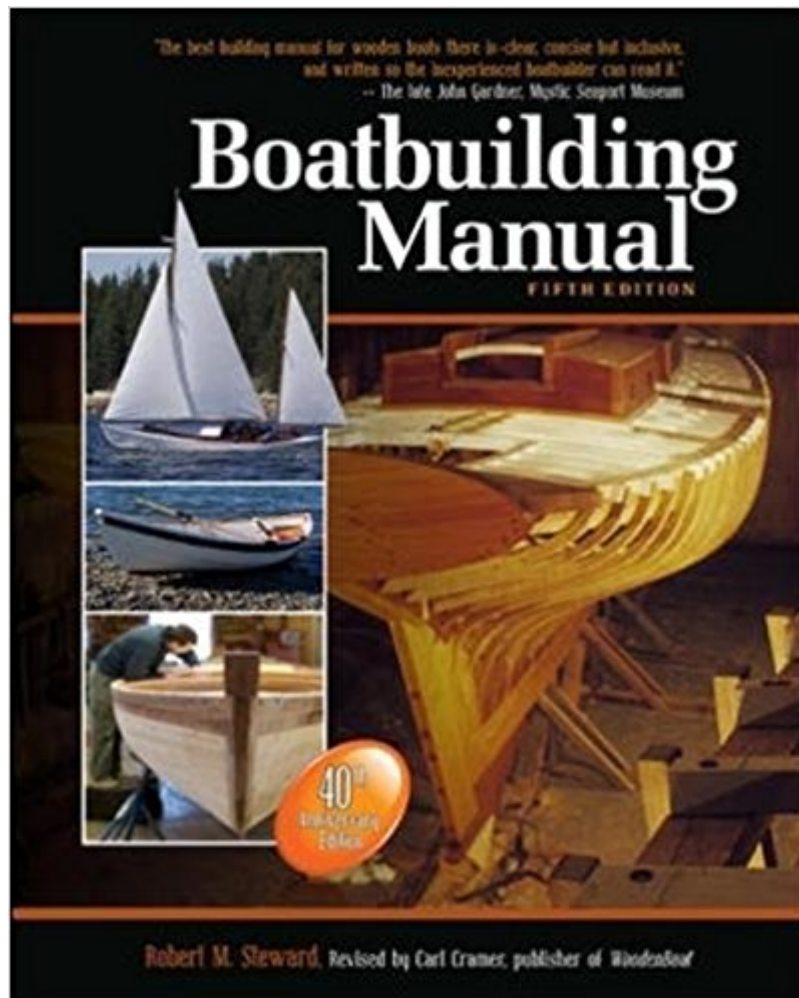




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# Boatbuilding Manual, Fifth Edition (International Marine-RMP)



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Get the latest boatbuilding tips from this updated classic Since its first publication in 1970, Boatbuilding Manual has become the standard reference in boatbuilding and boat design schools, in the offices of professional builders, and in the basement workshops of home builders. No other boatbuilding text has simultaneously served the disparate needs of professional and amateur audiences so successfully. Carl Cramer, the publisher of WoodenBoat and Professional Boatbuilder magazines, has fully updated this fifth edition with the latest in boatbuilding techniques and developments. Includes: The latest wood-epoxy construction methods that make amateur building more successful than ever before Recommendations on products and materials, saving you time and money substantial time and expense Topics include: Plans, Tools, Woods, Fiberglass and Other Hull Materials, Fastenings, Lines and Laying Down, Molds, Templates, and the Backbone, Setting Up, Framing, Planking, Deck Framing, Decking, Deck Joinerwork, Interior Joinerwork, Finishing, Sailboat Miscellany, Steering, Tanks, Plumbing, etc, Mechanical and Electrical, Potpourri, Safety

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“The best building manual for wooden boats there is--clear, concise but inclusive, and written so the experienced boatbuilder can read it.” (Gardner, John Mystic Seaport Museum) --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

With more than 60,000 copies sold, Boatbuilding Manual is one of the most widely read texts on the subject, and it has been used for years as a standard reference at both boatbuilding and design schools. A builder and designer for more than 55 years, Robert Steward has rare abilities as a writer and draftsman. His phrasing is clear and easy, and he writes the absolute minimum necessary for a complete understanding of the subject. His drawings are detailed yet uncluttered; they reward each increment of study with further revelations. This fourth edition, like its predecessors, emphasizes traditional wooden construction but also surveys plywood, wood-epoxy, fiberglass, steel, aluminum, and other boatbuilding methods. The chapters on interpreting plans, lofting, and moldmaking are common to all methods. New to this edition are several chapters arising from the "Miscellaneous Details" chapter of earlier editions; an appendix on sharpening tools; expanded tables of metric equivalents; an expanded and annotated source guide for plans, fasteners, hardware, wood, and other staples of boatbuilding; and a list of additional reading. Throughout the book, the author recommends products, materials, and services that he has either used or regards highly. This cataloging saves the amateur (and the professional, for that matter) from the considerable time and expense of ferreting out such sources on his own. Thoroughly updated with respect to modern tools and materials, Boatbuilding Manual remains both a professional reference and the first book a budding amateur should buy. Praise for Boatbuilding Manual: ". . . the best building manual for wooden boats there is--clear, concise but inclusive, and written so the inexperienced boatbuilder can read it."--John Gardner, Mystic Seaport Museum "I first got acquainted with the Boatbuilding Manual in the early 1970s when Murray Peterson, the yacht designer, gave me a copy saying, 'Read this. It's the best book on small-boat building I've ever seen.' I had to agree and it's still true. Steward's book is in a class of its own. It's the book I always recommend for boatbuilding classes, and we've used it to fine advantage at the local high school."--Sonny Hodgdon, Hodgdon Yachts, Inc., East Boothbay, Maine This is a book at home in the workshop, not the library. Pulled from beneath a pile of shavings, it is the thing to help make a tough decision or to quiet an unwelcome adviser."--SAIL "This is a first-rate book, and if you are a builder of wooden boats, you should have a copy on your shop's reference shelf."--National Fisherman "Steward handles his subject in such a complete and knowledgeable manner that we have long used his book as a text for our students of small-craft design. Boatbuilding Manual deserves a niche on the bookshelf of the designer, the wood boatbuilder, or even the fellow with an interest and hope that someday he will be able to lay the keel of his dreams."--Robert E. Wallstrom, YDI Schools --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

A beautiful book even electronically. Nice information. I got it because I'm a woodpecker and interested in tools and building. Hope to build a small boat even though I'm not a boat or water guy. Just love anything made of wood. Lots of models in here. Great descriptions of how to build a boat and good history. I just got the book so can't comment about the whole book but so far, it was worth getting.

Very interesting book for every serious boat builder. Have seen and learnt some new solution opportunities from it. Not very useful for beginners, as one should have some experience and knowledge to understand, and as some subjects are dealt with rather brief.

Robert Steward's Boatbuilding Manual is a classic which has been revised and updated over the years to include the latest in fiberglass technology plus updates to wood construction. Steward's writing has put him on the same plane as Howard Chappelle's book, Boatbuilding, which has been called the Bible for wood boat-builders.

This is an authoritative and invaluable book for anyone contemplating building their own boat. It includes sail boats, power boats both inboard and outboard systems

Well organized concise and clear, highly recommended. Relevant and thoroughly updated. Some important measurement dimensions are omitted or for some reason not visible on my kindle for iPhone app. Line drawings are not high enough resolution to be read when zoomed in on iPhone.

I had seen and wanted this book for many years, it is a great asset to my collection of books and has added greatly to the knowledge of how to build a boat in the traditional manner. This book provides great insights into traditional time honoured methods of boat building and broadens the knowledge base to an already fascinating subject.

I am a beginner in boat building and not familiar with the terms of boat construction. This book takes that into consideration. I am still reading this book, however up to this point, I am very satisfied with the information on boat construction.

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