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Book Of Sailing Knots: How To Tie And Correctly Use Over 50 Essential Knots





Synopsis

In recent years, sailing has undergone some revolutionary changes: Satellites and autopilots are now used for navigation. Artificial-fiber and wire ropes have nearly replaced natural-fiber ropes. But when it comes to decorative knotting, natural fiber is still the favored choice. This book is tops when it comes to learning how to master tying the most common sailing knots. With fully illustrated and step-by-step instructions, the author explains how to correctly tie and use more than fifty knotsâ •including stopper knots, bends, loops, and hitchesâ •and in which situations each one is most useful.

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Customer Reviews

The book is titled "Book of Sailing Knots: How to Tie and Correctly Use Over 50 Essential Knots", but 1/4 of the book is taken up by decorative knots... no Sailing knots. I also did not care for the hand drawn rope example images, this book would have been immensely better if they showed actual pictures. I would return if possible, your better off looking for other books.

I have a few knot books, but I like the selection in this book the best. It is a good sailor's reference. It covers whippings and splicings and is very well organized. It doesn't go into a lot of theory or history. "Why Knot?" is a good one for that.

Tying a solid knot is a skill that will be needed even as technology continues to advance. "The Book of Sailing Knots: How to Tie and Correctly Use Over 50 Essential Knots" is a complete and

comprehensive guide to sailing knots and, as the title says, how to correctly use them. Going over each knot step by step and outlining when each knot is appropriate, there is no book more in depth on the subject. "The Book of Sailing Knots: How to Tie and Correctly Use Over 50 Essential Knots" is a top pick for sailors and community library nautical collections.

I've used this to teach knot classes. It's very straightforward and simple to understand with great illustrations. Short, precise but thorough.

Not just a reference for learning or remembering knots, but in such a format that you just want to sit down and read through the whole thing

I'm a novice sailor who's been tying bad knots for years. I got this book to learn how to do the right ones. While it has a comprehensive group of knots for different uses, I found that it's still not easy to learn them. First, the book has a standard paperback binding which will not stay open while your hands are full with rope. Second, there is generally no text to describe how to tie the knot, only pictures. It would be very helpful to know roughly where to start your knot so that you won't run out of line, but this is not mentioned. Finally, some of the step-by-step pictures skip too many steps. I have no idea how the author arrived at the first step of the sheepshank, the very first knot in the book. I was able to make it by carefully laying out a piece of rope, but I have no idea how I would make this knot in a situation where both ends of the line aren't free.So I'll eventually learn these knots from this book, just not as fast as I could have.

Very informative and I learned a lot. Not hard to follow diagrams easily presented. Good book for beginners to experts

This book is fantastic for two reasons; the illustrations are dead easy to follow and the knots presented are all tremendously useful! My copy has now been waterlogged many times and looking more rugged than old rope, but until I know all the knots by heart it will come with me where ever I go! I've had moments of despair where the book has been lost as I could not remember the author or its name, but now I've marked it on and will be able to get a new copy (I hope its still in print!) if mine is lost. Now that's one less thing to worry about!

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