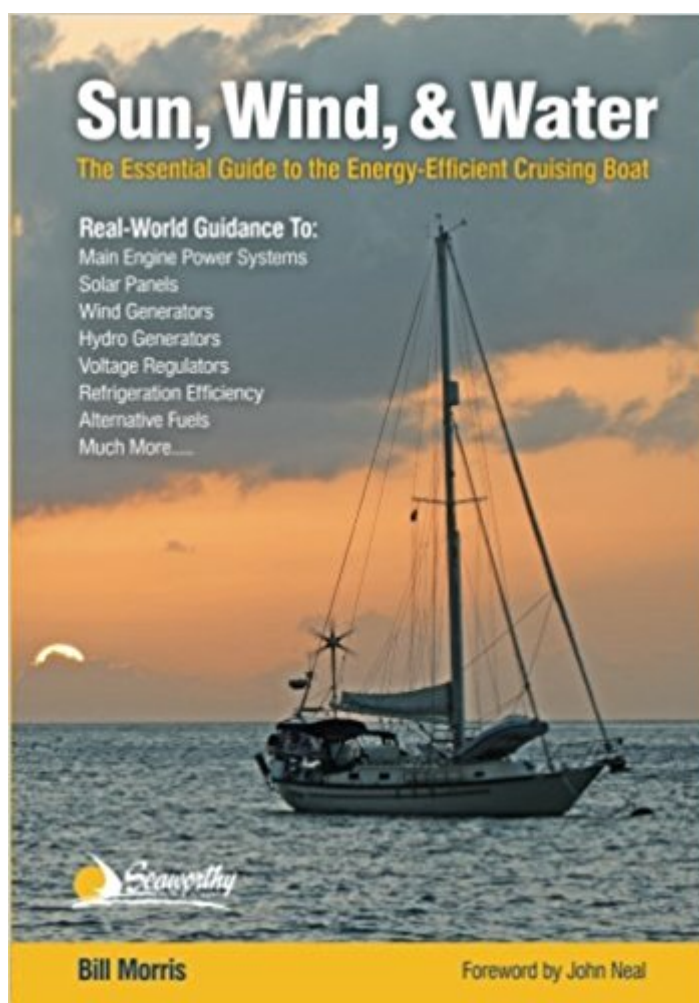


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Sun, Wind, & Water: The Essential Guide To The Energy-Efficient Cruising Boat



Synopsis

JUST RELEASED SEPTEMBER 2016 ALL NEW BOOK ON ENERGY-EFFICIENT YACHTING AND WORLD CRUISING... BUY NOW! A successful ocean passage on a small to midsize sailing vessel means keeping things as simple as possible. Sun, Wind, and Water: The Essential Guide to the Energy-Efficient Cruising Boat gives you the most detailed, up-to-date advice on how to prepare your boat for an ocean crossing while at the same time saving money and ensuring a smaller footprint on Mother Nature. Circumnavigator-author Bill Morris describes in detail the best options for reducing dependence on fossil fuels, minimizing battery usage, and enjoying a comfortable lifestyle on the water. He presents an array of electrical charging systems, power-saving electrical fixtures, and manual devices aimed at saving money on fuel, along with pointers on installation and maintenance. This practical guide covers:

- The development of an energy-saving plan for your boat
- Battery technology and hydrogen fuel cells
- Charging batteries from sun, wind, and water power
- Battery charge control systems
- Effective refrigeration options for the tropics
- Autopilots and windvane self-steering
- Energy-saving systems on three successful blue water vessels
- And much, much more

Bill Morris, author of The Windvane Self-Steering Handbook and a frequent contributor to Ocean Navigator Magazine, currently cruises the Channel Islands of Southern California on the 1966 Cal 30 Saltaire as he prepares for his next offshore adventure.

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"Bill Morris...does an excellent job of acquainting the reader with all facets of onboard energy by clearly parsing out how energy on the boat can be harnessed, stored, used--and wasted." -- Peter Stoops "Ocean Navigator Magazine"

Circumnavigator-author Bill Morris, a native of Los Angeles, is well known for his outspoken commitment to alternative energy on offshore sailing craft. While circling the earth by way of the two canals, singlehanded two-thirds of the way, he relied on renewable energy, manual systems, and a minimum of electronics to keep his Cal 30 sloop *Saltaire* underway with little dependence on the diesel engine. Bill is the author of *The Windvane Self-Steering Handbook* (International Marine, 2004), and he has written many articles on both cruising adventure and alternative energy for offshore vessels in *Ocean Navigator*, *Ocean Voyager*, *Latitude 38*, *Afloat*, and *Blue Water Sailing* magazines.

At first glance, the book looked like a tedious chore, but it moved along with a balanced approach that allowed me to learn a lot while retaining my interest through the necessary fact heavy subjects. I feel much more capable in the area covered. Well worth the read.

This is really an awesome book. I'm thinking about going cruising, and this book is giving me the info I need to get my boat ready for my great escape.

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