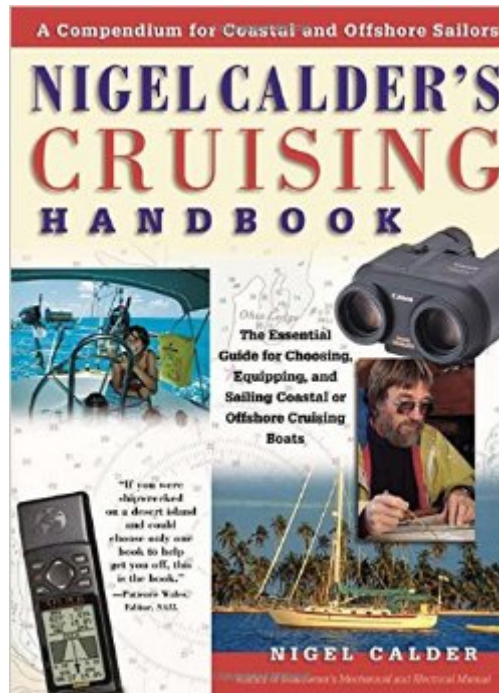


The book was found

# Nigel Calder's Cruising Handbook: A Compendium For Coastal And Offshore Sailors



## Synopsis

The most comprehensive and helpful guide ever written for selecting and equipping a cruising sailboat. Whether you're a coastal or offshore cruiser, you'll find your most pressing concerns treated with the know-how that makes for skillful, confident cruising in Nigel Calder's Cruising Handbook. The author -- one of the most respected marine how-to authors on either side of the Atlantic, and author of the universally admired Boatowner's Mechanical and Electrical Manual, -- walks you through all key technical and practical aspects of modern cruising systems and equipment, providing you with a summary of the skills necessary for safe, enjoyable sailing. The first half of the book includes an easy-to-use tabular method for evaluating a boat's suitability for cruising; ideas for workable deck and interior lay-outs and organization; how to choose and configure suitable boat systems for cruising; and how to install gear for trouble free operation. The book's second half teaches you boat handling skills; core navigational expertise; anchoring techniques; weather understanding; heavy weather expertise; and specific skills for long-term and long-distance cruising.

## Book Information

Hardcover: 608 pages

Publisher: International Marine/Ragged Mountain Press; 1st edition (May 28, 2001)

Language: English

ISBN-10: 0071350993

ISBN-13: 978-0071350990

Product Dimensions: 8.3 x 1.1 x 11 inches

Shipping Weight: 3.2 pounds (View shipping rates and policies)

Average Customer Review: 4.7 out of 5 stars [See all reviews](#) (51 customer reviews)

Best Sellers Rank: #158,908 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #7 in [Books > Sports & Outdoors > Outdoor Recreation > Sailing > Excursion Guides](#) #23 in [Books > Sports & Outdoors > Outdoor Recreation > Sailing > Instructional](#) #154 in [Books > Sports & Outdoors > Outdoor Recreation > Boating](#)

## Customer Reviews

Ordinarily, I would not get too excited about another new cruising book, even one by so eminent an author as Calder, whose previous work: Boatowner's Mechanical And Electrical Manual, has become an icon on both sides of the pond. While the cruising genre is a particular favorite of mine, recent offerings seem to have grown a bit redundant for those of us striving to keep abreast of the

field. This book of Calder's is a whole new ball game. First of all: It's a very big book both physically, and in terms of its diverse subject matter. At just under six hundred pages in an 8 1/2 x 11 inch format, it is not something I would refer to as a "handbook" unless speaking to a gorilla. The word "encyclopedic" springs to mind, as it is truly monumental in scope and execution... McGraw-Hill did a commendable job of putting it all together. It looks like it might last, even in the marine environment where it will most assuredly find a home. It features a water resistant cover and flexible spine, designed to lie flat when opened, a wonderful feature on a pitching chart table, far at sea, where information is scarce and time of the essence. It covers nearly everything. It covers it in exquisite detail. It covers it in a manner anyone can understand. There are chapters relating to most any conceivable contingency a cruiser might run in to, from boat selection, equipage, and maintenance, to the more esoteric areas of daily life on a cruising sailboat (and much more than I wanted to know about navigational history). Calder remains the quintessential "systems" man and his section on surveying a prospective purchase, with its attendant checklist, is, alone, worth the price of the book.

[Download to continue reading...](#)

Nigel Calder's Cruising Handbook: A Compendium for Coastal and Offshore Sailors Cruising Guide to Coastal South Carolina and Georgia (Cruising Guide to Coastal South Carolina & Georgia) Cruising the Southern and Western Caribbean: A Guide to the Ships & the Ports of Call (Cruising the Southern and Western Caribbean) (Cruising the Southern & Western Caribbean) Catamarans: The Complete Guide for Cruising Sailors The Cruising Guide to Central and Southern California: Golden Gate to Ensenada, Mexico, Including the Offshore Islands The Zuni Cafe Cookbook: A Compendium of Recipes and Cooking Lessons from San Francisco's Beloved Restaurant: A Compendium of Recipes and Cooking Lessons from San Francisco's Beloved Restaurant The Surreal Calder Sea-Level Rise and Coastal Subsidence: Causes, Consequences, and Strategies (Coastal Systems and Continental Margins) Solo Coastal Sailing: Upgrade your sailing skills to enable single-handed coastal or short off-shore passages Coastal Charts for Cruising the Florida Keys Introduction to Modern Virology 6th (sixth) Edition by Dimmock, Nigel, Easton, Andrew, Leppard, Keith [2007] Introducing Fractal Geometry New Edition by Lesmior-Gordon, Nigel published by Icon Books Ltd (2006) World Cruising Routes: 7th edition: 1000 Sailing Routes In All Oceans Of The World (World Cruising Series) Street's Cruising Guide to the Eastern Caribbean: Martinique to Trinidad (Street's Cruising Guide) (v. 3) Cruising the Mediterranean: A Guide to the Ports of Call (Cruising the Mediterranean) Handbook of Offshore Oil and Gas Operations The Many-Headed Hydra: Sailors, Slaves, Commoners, and the Hidden History of the Revolutionary Atlantic Amirs, Admirals & Desert Sailors: Bahrain, the U.S. Navy, and the Arabian Gulf Foreign

Sailors on Socotra: The inscriptions and drawings from the cave Hoq (Vergleichende Studien Zu Antike Und Orient) Sailors' Valentines: Their Journey Through Time

[Dmca](#)