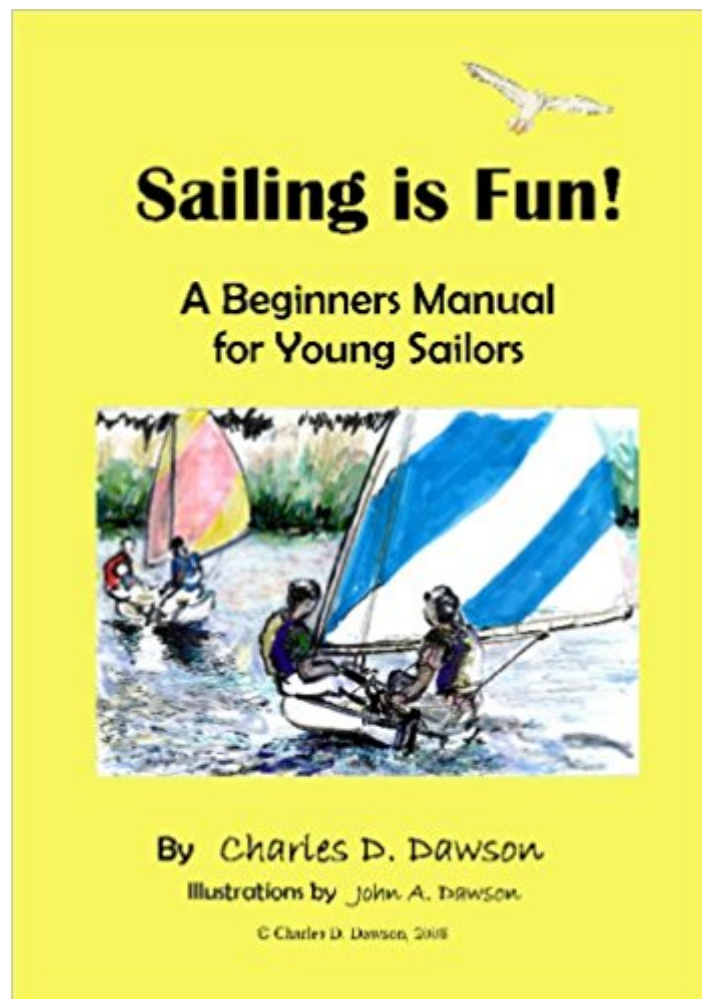




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Sailing Is Fun!: A Beginners Manual For Young Sailors



Synopsis

"Sailing is Fun - A Beginners Manual for Young Sailors" is written for kids. This book introduces basic terms, concepts and procedures which all new sailors need to understand, but does so in a "kid friendly" manner. The book also stresses water safety. It is the author's hope that once a child is properly introduced to the joys and thrills of sailing, a life-long passion will develop. In this modern 21st century world, there is a lot of "bad stuff" out there for kids to get into. Sailing is a great alternative. It's fast (or can be), it's fun, and it's green, totally green.

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Customer Reviews

Charles D. "Chuck" Dawson is a retired Michigan lawyer and California real estate broker. Chuck's earliest memories include sailing on Stony Lake in Oceana County on Michigan's west coast. He had his own boat at age 16, which proved both blessing and a curse. The 16 foot all-wood scow proved profoundly labor absorbing, and had an annoying tendency to leak rather badly. He named his boat the "Cannon Ball" because both the boat and the iron round ball seemed to have similar propensities upon contacting water - both tended to go to the bottom. Chuck continued to sail long after the "Cannon Ball" contracted terminal dry-rot and went to sailboat Valhalla. Over the years, he has sailed many boats, Interlakes, Hobie Cats, Porpoises, and Butterflies to name a few. When Chuck thought about teaching his grandson, Caleb, how to sail, he looked about carefully for an instruction book for the boy as an aid to learning, but found nothing suitable in book stores or on line. When told of the dilemma, Caleb responded, "Well, Grandpa, you know how to sail, so you could write a

book like that yourself. "Out of the mouths of babes", as it were, this book was born. In its original form, the book's pages were housed in plastic sleeves in a 3-ring notebook, and were rather student-specific. On the advice of friends, and with the strong encouragement of his wife, Linda, Chuck re-wrote the work as a commercial offering, renaming the volume "Sailing is Fun: A Beginners Manual for Young Sailors", in hopes that other young people may learn about sailing, and come to love it as he does.

My grandson learned a lot from the book. This summer he will sail my sunfish after I give him a few lessons.

Sailing uses wind and sails boys and girls... The end. Not useful. Too basic. More like a children's book about what a sailboat is. Was hoping for a quick guide that friends and family could use when going out with us

I was given this book as a primer to sail for my first time solo. The book itself is very short which actually made the task of sailing easier. Without giving too much information and confusing the reader, the book provides the essential information to sail successfully. Since the book was targeted towards a younger audience I found it very easy to absorb with the limited time I had to prepare. I would highly recommend this book for anyone aspiring to learn how to sail!

A man who bought a copy of the book wrote me a letter which included the following: "As a Child Psychiatrist & parent, I must tell you what a marvelous job you have done. You have a Mister Rogers approach. It is as though you are talking to me. I am your sole audience. You may think that this is a nice book, but it is better than that."

Easy to understand and fun to read! This author really knows how to write and to sail! I'm ordering another copy for my lake cottage!

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