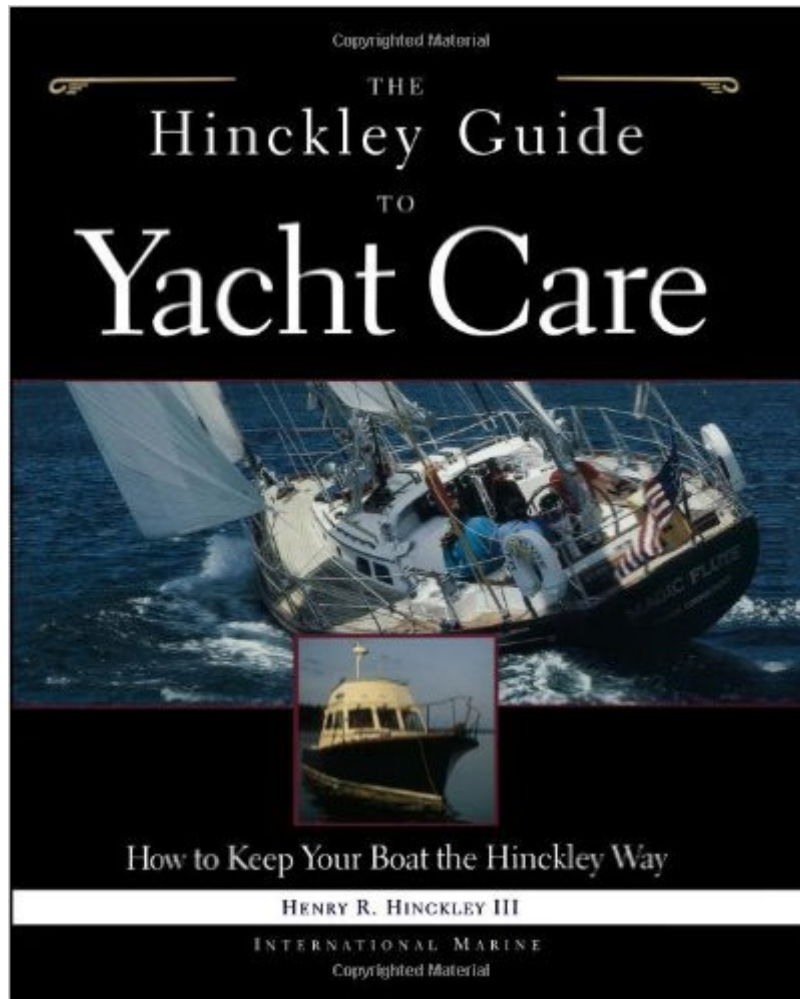


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Hank Hinckley, of the famous boat-building family, focuses on usable, detail-rich information that can help anyone maintain a boat more efficiently and professionally. Most books of this sort stop short of naming names. You are advised to use "good quality varnish" or "high quality sandpaper readily available at your local hardware store." Hinckley gives names (and numbers) and describes why particular products (and methods) have become the norm in the Hinckley yard. The photographs of Hinckley's boats are mouth-watering but he makes it clear and believable that there's value in his methods for more modest craft. I followed his method for exterior varnishing and found it to be quicker and better than my (previous) approach. Knowing for example that the Hinckley yard finds a heat gun to be the fastest way to strip old varnish was recommendation enough for me to try it--they're right and should be--they're pros after all. It seems smart to me to seek the advice of a professional, that's really what Hinckley's book amounts to, in readable, useable and enjoyable format.

This is a paperback version of the original book. There are NO color photos in this book. I knew that when I bought it, thanks to other reviews. It is a good book, however, and I like it so far. I'll get some good use out of it. If you are a boat owner, then you know that most boat books have some good info and sorely lack other info that you need. This book leans toward cleaning, brightwork (which is why I bought it), interior design, and a few basic maintenance topics. It is not a comprehensive maintenance book.

The written content of the book is great and there is a lot of really good information. However, the item description and the back cover of the book clearly state that this is a "unique full-color guide". Every picture in this book is in an awful grayscale black and white and the images are barely discernible.

Excellent varnishing tips and lots of little maintenance tips snuck in between the pages. This book will show you how to keep your boat tip top shape no matter if its a Hinckley or Hunter/Catalina. Every yacht deserves the pride and joy a Hinckley usually gets.

I just received my copy of "The Hinckley Guide to Yacht Care" and I'm very disappointed. The description says this is a full color guide and except for the front and back cover this is a poor quality black and white guide. I bought the book anticipating some mouth watering photos of Hinckley interiors but instead got the very poor quality black and white photos. There is nothing really new in the text that you won't find in a general maintenance guide or various articles on the internet. At best this is a 10 dollar book, certainly not worth \$26.95

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