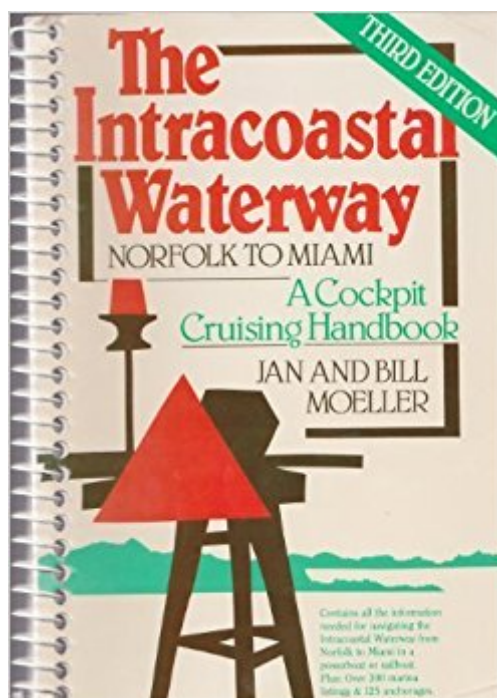


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# The Intracoastal Waterway: A Cockpit Cruising Handbook



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I bot the 5th Ed 2004 in 2006 for my 1st trip down the ICW from the Chesapeake Bay; Today (Jan 2010; the 2nd trip; Daytona Beach so far) I am still using it. I have found this book very valuable. I can't imagine doing the trip without it. It's spiral bound construction has held up; and the print is bold enough to see under way. The guide points out the little things like range markers, common in GA (I have a hard time seeing them on the charts); it tells you the channels used by bridge operators in various states; and the name of the bridge. I can't compare this one to other guides, since it's the only one I have; but it works for me. Happy cruising.

This was a great book 20 years ago. By today's standards it needs more details. Today you can buy travel guides that basically hold your hand and tell you what to do, and what you should be seeing, etc... This book has not stayed current enough. They need to add photos of the entire route so you can see what they are talking about. Having said that, this book is a classic. I have used copies of this book since the 1990's.

This is the most complete and detailed description of the east coast journey I've come across.- detailed, with accurate mileages, handy format for using one-handed. And a surprising amount of miscellaneous local information.

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informative

Very good information when traveling the Inet coastal waterway system.

You can certainly appreciate the intent of the authors but the book should be classified as a nice-to-have but not mission-critical resource. Other reviewers have noted its shortcomings, typical

of any cruising guide that is not annually updated. We bought a copy in 2007, along with about five other books, as a resource for our ICWW cruise from the Hudson River to Lake Worth, FL in our classic Tartan 33. Pros: Mile-by-mile organization, factual writing style, small convenient size, nice section on ICWW cruising and how to use the guide, a few unique insights and details, some information on chronic trouble spots, and a few reasonably useful tips on navigating some portions of the waterway. Cons: Across the board the material is dated, data on bridges and bridge openings are not current (some bridges have been replaced), some of the navigation suggestions are problematic or no longer applicable, some of the buoy identifications are not accurate, some of the "free dockage" places don't exist anymore, and it's lean on relevant/timely photos. To be fair to the authors, it is nearly impossible for a "printed" (versus electronic) book to have all or even most of the current data on bridges, shoaling, suitability of anchorages, marinas, and the like. In our view the Kettlewell, Intracoastal Waterway Chartbook is a must have, serving as a quick cockpit reference and supplement to electronic and paper charts. The Skipper Bob publications were also highly useful but not a "single source." Some of the other guides, those larger spiral-bound tomes, tend to have limited navigation support but more current information on marinas and services. In the end, we relied heavily on Internet sources, primarily cruisersnet.net, for more current state-by-state ICWW information. Take-Away. This should not be used as the cruiser's primary information source. Would we buy this book again if updated? Probably not. Is it helpful for first-time ICWW cruisers? Yes, the mile-by-mile orientation is useful but perhaps not compelling enough in lieu of other publications also offering similar information.

Very well. I love the product, it is very well balanced, has a lot of weight to it, and it is very sharp. It cuts through bread so easily and makes perfect slices. Quality. I'll be buying again. In my family it is necessary, Satisfied. Good product with high quality.

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