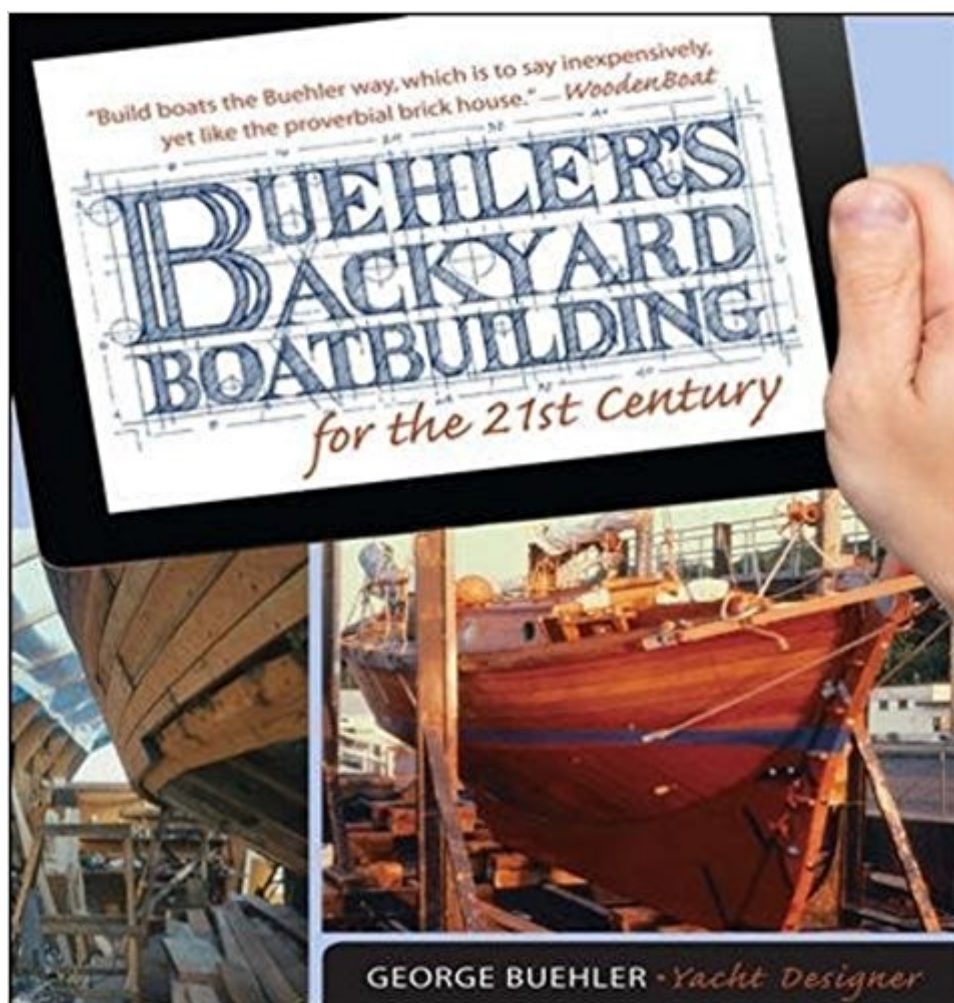


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# Buehler's Backyard Boatbuilding For The 21st Century



## Synopsis

"Build wooden boats the Buehler way, which is to say inexpensively, yet like the proverbial brick outhouse." -- Wooden Boat "A WEALTH OF VALUABLE INFORMATION." -- American Sailing Association

The classic and definitive guide for the home boatbuilder--now updated Everybody has the dream: Build a boat in the backyard and sail off to join the happy campers of Pogo Pogo, right? But how? Assuming you aren't independently wealthy, if you want a boat that is really you, you gotta build it yourself. With irreverent wit and an engaging style, George Buehler shows you how to turn your backyard into a boatyard. Buehler draws his inspiration from centuries of workboat construction, where semiskilled fishermen built rugged, economical boats from everyday materials in their own backyards, and went to sea in them in all kinds of weather. Buehler's boats sail on every ocean and perform every task, from long-term liveaboards in Norwegian fjords to a traveling doctor's office in Alaska. The book contains complete plans for ten cruising boats--from an 18-foot schooner to a 48-foot Diesel Duck. For more than a quarter century, backyard boatbuilders have turned to George Buehler's acclaimed DIY guide for expert advice, step-by-step instructions, and the author's irreverent, no-nonsense commentary. Whether you're experienced or unskilled, over-budget or under-financed, into sailing or powerboats, you'll find everything you need to start building--and finish that boat--in one essential guide. Now updated for the 21st century, the undisputed "bible" for boatbuilders is more comprehensive, more practical, and more fun than ever. You'll find: 10 new, practical, rugged, and ready-to-build designs--including Buehler's popular Diesel Duck--with full plans and scantlings Up-to-date commentary on the latest materials--epoxies, sealants, metals, fastenings, and more Step-by-step guidance on choosing the size, complexity, and design that's right for your skillset, your workshop, and your wallet Stem-to-stern, inside-and-out tips on lofting, framing up, planking, decking, hatches, keels, bolt-ons, finishes, rigging, outfitting, and launching--everything you need to know! Jam-packed with photographs, helpful diagrams, and cost-effective techniques, this is a must-have reference for today's boatbuilders or those curious "makers" tinkering around the backyard. If you want to build that boat of your dreams, you can't find a better guide than Buehler's. "Immensely practical--clear and concise." -- Sailing "Everyone will revere this book." -- The Ensign

George Buehler was born in Oregon in 1948, and has been messing around with boats ever since his sainted mother gave him a copy of Scuppers the Sea Dog. Buehler is an accomplished yacht designer who lives on Whidbey Island, Washington.

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## Customer Reviews

George Buehler is an accomplished yacht designer.

This is a great book. I've owned the first edition for years. Wanted to see what was updated and study plans for one of the newly added boats in the plans. What's up with the piss poor printing for the plans in the back? Could not make out the numbers. Going to return and get the kindle edition. I really love this book and would have given it 5 stars had it not been for the badly printed pages

George Buehler is a weird combination of traditionalist and iconoclast in his ideas and methods. I love his vision of form and function in boats. If you want to build a largish wooden boat yourself, have basic carpentry skills, and can take some of his ideas with a grain of salt, this book can definitely get you started. Personally I would not contemplate trying to build a boat using just the plans in this book - buy some real plans (and Mr. Buehler sells some good ones), but with a set of plans in hand, this book provides a serviceable "how to" manual.

I have George's first edition of this book and the second is just as good. If you are looking to build a sturdy go anywhere boat, check this book out.

As always, George writes with clarity, purpose and practicality and no nonsense. This is a must have if you are even thinking about building or rescuing or just maintaining a traditional wood boat. Even if you go in a different direction, you are bound to get some good ideas that will help you get

underway safely and without going broke. The inclusion of full plans and offsets for the 38' Duck and some other great boats make the book a steal.

Fantastic! Really is a "Bible" of simple and stout construction. Worth a read for outfitters as well, as many of his techniques can be used on refitting boats as well. Using his tips, you could literally save 10's of thousands of dollars, and have a stronger and better found boat than the plastic fantastic production ready boats you see everywhere.

very good

This is a good book, practical and filled with good advice. The author's point of view is that you don't need a shop full of tools or expensive exotic wood to build a seaworthy and enjoyable boat. I had to return my copy, as the printing of the illustrations was too light and in some places, illegible. I will buy the book again when the issue is fixed.

Book had very good ideas thanks

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