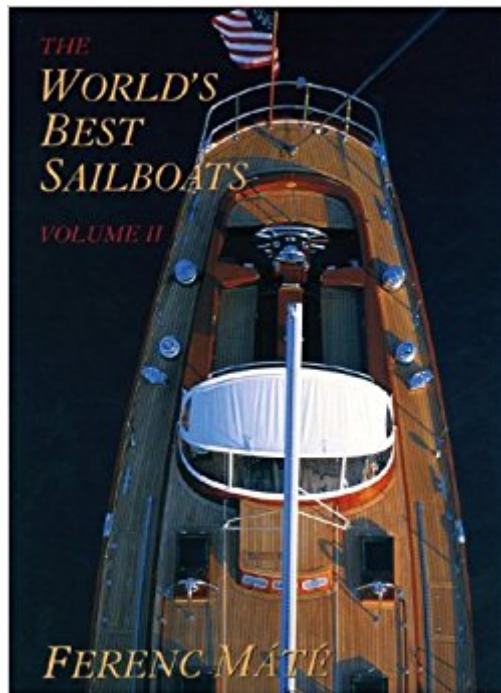


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The World's Best Sailboats, Volume 2



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A guided tour of the world's best sailboats with an entertaining expert at your side. In the classic format of the first volume, with magnificent color photographs and black-and-white illustrations, the even more spectacular Volume 2 celebrates the giant leaps in technology and design of the last decade and a half. Ferenc Máté analyzes designs and construction while revealing the secrets of the world's top twenty builders, making this book invaluable for any boat buyer and would-be sailor. It includes dozens of new boats by the perennial best builders—Hinckley, Alden, Baltic, and Swan—plus all the boats of ten new builders, the likes of J-Boats, Oyster, Valiant, and Sabre, who have, over the years, consistently shown the highest quality and most creative innovation. Máté visited each of the boatyards—in Europe, Canada, and the United States—to document his scrupulous firsthand survey. His color photographs are benchmarks in nautical publishing, and his writing is thoughtful, engagingly direct, and always entertaining. Praise for Volume I: "Possibly the most beautiful sailing book ever published."—Yachting magazine 404 color photographs; 212 illustrations

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I bought the first volume a long time ago and I love it. Volume 2 is even better with beautiful color photography. A negative for me is that both volumes feature boats that are generally much more expensive than the vast majority of sailors can afford, particularly when new. In both volumes the text is informative and well written. My Volume 2 was published in 2003. Some of the makers of these top-end sailboats have gone out of business. The designs are classic but the state of the art in sailboat design and construction has evolved in the years since Mate gathered his material. "The World's Best Sailboats", Volumes 1 and 2 are books as beautiful as their subjects. I would eagerly buy a Volume 3.

Good copy as new.

The book contains a lot of really lovely pictures. I only wish the book had just a little more about sailing, rather than focusing on sailboats as the beautiful art objects they are. Still, a great book for ogling sailboats I couldn't possibly afford.

The best boat review, very usefull information and very good pictures. Higly recommended!

After loving volume I, I had to purchase volume II while I had the chance. No, I haven't finished volume I as of yet, although the book(s) are packed with spot-on accurate information. Also will serve well for a first time sailor who wants a sailboat with graceful lines, sails well, and will bring a good return on investment.

I bought this as a gift for someone who loves sailboats. He has raced them in the past and has a great appreciation for the historically well made boats. He loves this book and found some of his favorite sailboats inside with a little history behind them.

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