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Sunfish Owners Manual: Buy, Sail, Maintain, Repair And Sell Your Sunfish

The Sunfish Owner's Manual



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Synopsis

The Sunfish Owner's Manual is a one stop resource for the world's most popular sailboat. Inside there are chapters on the History of the Sunfish, and illustrated chapters on how to Buy, Rig, Sail, Maintain, Restore, Store, Transport and Sell the Sunfish. The Restore Chapter includes Do It Yourself pictures and step by step details on how to conduct common repairs, including foam replacements and rudder conversions. The Manual has an extensive Illustrated Glossary of Sunfish and sailing terms, with 230 photos by the author, taken in the course of numerous Sunfish restorations, for both wooden and fiberglass Sunfish as well as Sailfish. Included are weblinks to top Sunfish information sites, part suppliers and social network sites. There are also links to extended web content located on the author's youtube channel and over 1300 Picasa Web images. The Manual is not only a one stop reference for any Sunfish owner, it would be of interest to owners of other small sailboats as well. Brought to you by Small Boat Restoration.

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Customer Reviews

Kent and Audrey are avid sailors with a special fondness for the classic Sunfish. They specialize in restoration of small boats, especially the Skipper's fleet of wooden and fiberglass Sunfish, Super Sailfish and Super Sailfish MKII sailboats. Kent and Audrey understand the importance of quality information resources for the Sunfish community. Kent is the Owner of the 3000+ member Yahoo Sunfish_Sailor Group as well as a Moderator on the Sunfish Forum. He also created the facebook page and companion blog Small Boat Restoration. Their focus is on classic restoration, with the mission being to return as many vintage Sunfish as possible to their natural habitat.

Mr. Lewis, who is certainly a local authority on the restoration of Sunfish, has put together a very nice compendium of the information he has gathered over the years in dealing with these boats. The book is well-formatted, with nice pictures illustrating the various steps of repairs or maintenance. Also, there is a nice section on the history of this classic boat as well as much other helpful, yet often overlooked, information about the Sunfish. A fine volume for any Sunfish owner or for anyone who is looking at getting into the delightful world of these little boats. The information on buying and selling is especially helpful. Recommended without reservation.

Just picked up a (second) used sunfish. This book has great information on repairing and maintaining sunfish/sailfish boats. I have a few projects for this winter and look forward to having my boats ready to sail in the spring

Pretty sure all the content is online - for free - but it is convenient to have hardcopy readily available for reference. I probably wouldn't have purchased it if I could have browsed the book prior to buying.

Lots of great tips on servicing and refurbishing Sunfish sailboats. Photos help the reader understand how the boat is made inside the hull. This goes a long way toward understanding how to work on the boat.

Great book and the author has been very helpful with advice on restoring my Sunfish!

Fast shipping and really useful information

Helpful book for a new Sunfish owner.

The book is full of color photos. Many of the photos I've seen on the internet already. The book feels like the author printed and bound a word document without professional design or editing. There are many spelling mistakes, grammar errors and uncapitalized sentences. The binding is blank and doesn't contain the title or author information. That said, it is a nice collection of hands-on information on maintenance and repair. The price is likely near the cost to bind and print the book. If you need the photos and information printed it's worth a purchase.

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