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Quest And Crew: A True Sailing Adventure



Synopsis

How many people have dreamed about sailing away and leaving it all behind? Hereâ™s how it happened. â™Quest and Crewâ™ is the first book of a four book series. The story begins hours before a devastating Category 5 hurricane obliterates the south shore of Grenada. Itâ™s a story about the many twists and turns that life can take. The sailboat Quest gained a new lease on life with a complete retrofit in the backwoods of North Carolina. The job of the crew becoming real sailors began in North Palm Beach. On a clear starry night, we left South Florida on a hope enveloped by a dream. Finding ourselves only at the beginning of a new adventure, we set sail and anchored one island at a time through the Bahamas. The Caribbean is a few books away. Here is a glimpse into the powerful attraction of sailboats and sapphire water. â™Quest and Crewâ™ is all about the joy of success as well as what it takes to overcome the occasional disaster. From beginning to end, the book is about transforming a rookie crew and beautiful old boat into a sailing adventure. Come for the hurricane, stay for the story.

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When you think of being adventurous, are you thinking about trying a new restaurant down the

street? Taking a vacation to a new city, or a new country? Give hang gliding a go? How about packing up your life and sailing away to the Caribbean even if you have never touched a sailboat before? This is what David and Wendy did, and I joined in on the adventure by reading *Quest and Crew*, their autobiographical memoir. The book started with a slightly dry prose as it describes *Quest's* encounter with a hurricane. After a chapter or two the story took over and I couldn't put it down. David flips the timeline between their newbie preparation on learning to sail, preparing the boat and all the exciting encounters as they sail their way down to the Caribbean. I learnt a lot about sailing too, but I mostly was drawn into their lives on and off deck. If you are a sailor, this book is an obvious choice. Even if you are not, like me, I was glad I went along for the ride metaphorically, on board the Bayfield 36.

A lot goes on in this book, and this is a good thing - it's never boring. Very enjoyable read with perfect amounts of humor, intrigue, education and irreverence. I'll be in the Bahamas later this year and it will be interesting to revisit those sections of the book at that time. Really hope there will be a 2nd book - maybe a trilogy.

Well, this is a fresh look at cruising. The author, with whom I have communicated, takes an unvarnished look at the cruising life. It is helpful to get that look at things. My family made a similar cruise in 1960 and 1961 after a two year rebuild and preparation. It was an amazing trip in every way and we remember it that way. I also remember clearly the down side to so many parts of the trip. No reason to stay home. Plenty of reason to be sure of your self sufficiency. David Beaupre subtly writes about the value of being self sufficient in every respect. In that regard, cruisers to be will benefit from the read. I simply enjoyed his ability to spin a yarn. Book Two, up next!

No matter if you are a novice or a sea worthy nautical kinda person - as you read this book, it will take you on an adventure through the experiences of Dave and Wendy. I could only wish that I had the courage as they did to brave the seas and live the life aquatic. Page after page will keep you guessing on what will happen next. I recommend this book to anyone who longs for what we all threaten one day to do.....to stop the world and get on a boat and let may happen be part of what defines us and we are better because of it!! Thank you Dave and Wendy for sharing your experiences.....

This book is incredible. It always amazes me how great authors suck you in to a book in the first

pages and Beaupre absolutely does that. I couldn't wait to finish it. I read the book and am ready for the sequel; it is too short!!!!Any husband and wife who have boated together especially in Florida, can relate to the experiences shared in this book. I highly recommend it.

I really enjoyed the book more than I expected to. It's well written and the author does a great job of relating stories in a fun and captivating way. Priced too high for a Kindle book, but I won't fault him for that - probably just won't read the next ones.

This book is a great book to read. It tells a great story of two people, their boat and a trip of a life time. It tells the story in a way that is very understandable and compelling. You feel as if you are aboard the boat as it makes its trip with new owners. They are landlubbers and this story tells how they get their sea legs real quick. I would recommend to anyone who loves to read.

I don't have a boat nor do I think that I will ever go sailing to the Caribbean. I bought the book because the author promised it to be a "fast paced adventure story set in Paradise". I was hooked from the first chapter. What struck me was how well the author described the many problems that he encountered getting an old boat prepared for sea. He does it with humor and a good dollop of sarcasm. But what I liked the most was that he never gave up, even when the going was hard. It is always good to read a true account of someone who succeeds. From this perspective it is a very upbeat story that was very inspiring. I absolutely recommend this "sailing adventure".

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