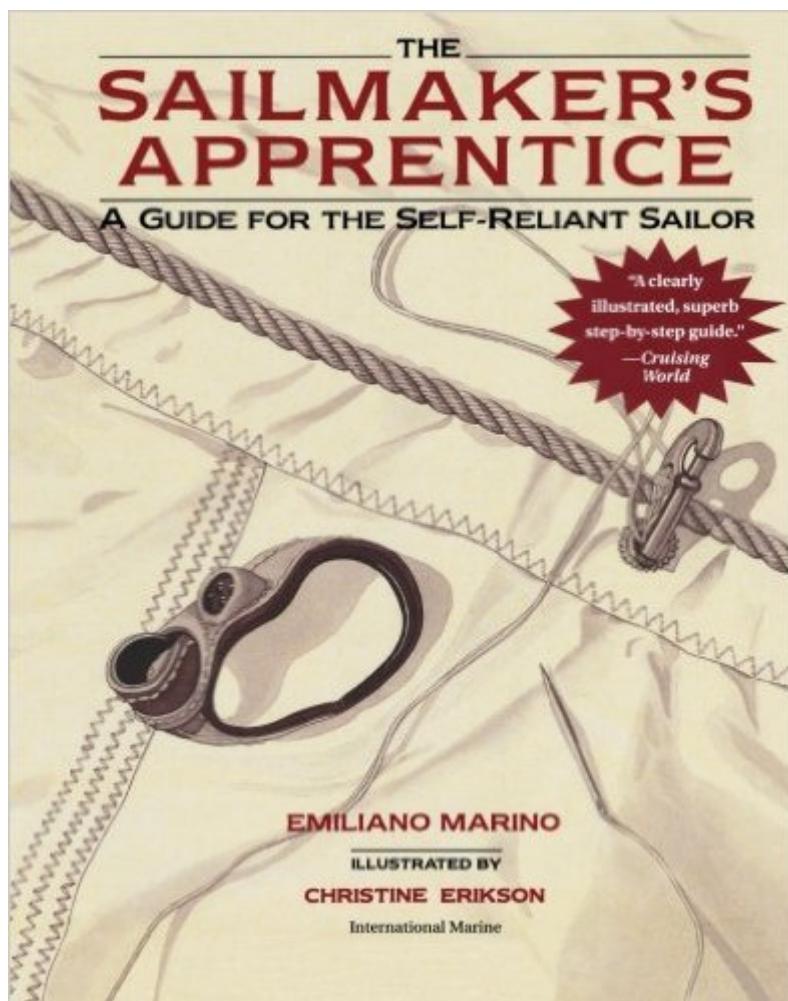


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Learn how to design, make, repair, improve, and maintain sails. If you want to produce sturdy sails for daysailing and cruising, built of low-tech materials you can repair with a few simple tools, *The Sailmaker's Apprentice* can show you how. Emphasizing the handwork that distinguishes the highest-quality, most durable sails, sail pro Emiliano Marino tells you how to select a rig, introduces you to sail shape and theory, and then shows you -- step by step, with the help of over 700 detailed illustrations -- how to sew patches, hand sew rings, fix tears or frayed edges, and stitch seams, not to mention how to make your own sails, canvas sailcovers, and sailbags from scratch. A visual feast for the sailor as well as an indispensable guide for the mariner comprehensive apprenticeship, this hands-on reference is an illustrated tour of the world's rig and sail types, contemporary and historical.

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This is the Bible on sailmaking-all types of sails, and detailed step by step instructions, profusely illustrated, an superbly written. As you read,, you discover no detail is left out. Moreover, you find your confidence growing, and you feel encouraged. I successfully made a mainsail and mizzen for a shallop rig boat-a fore and aft square rigger with sprit yards. Pete Culler , a master boat builder, could not say enough good things about the Spritsail-and he is absolutely on the money. The shallop rig was used from the 1600's to the 1900's, and for good reason. For a small boat there is dramatically reduced probability of a capsize. A lot of canvas is spread out low. The peaks of the

sails tend to pay off and spill gusts. No need to drop the sail by halyards...just haul in on the 'bridle', or tricing line, and the entire sail folds up vertically to the masts. Every time I go sailing, a pointy headed rig capsizes. It's the 'lever arm moment', and some inexperience at the helm -plus a flukey wind -and over you go. With the 'Chaloupe" Rig, you can let go of the helm and the boat tracks right on heading-it's a balanced rig! I mention all this for the history, the beauty and functionality of sails are well covered in this book. The instructions so complete, that I made a handsome, beautifully functional set of sails my first attempt. The book is that good. There IS no other! Forget looking. My sails are under 100 square feet each, so these are suitable for someone wishing to learn. My first attempt was on hands and knees with canvas spread out and tacked to the floor. My second set, I built a large subfloor table on sawhorses about ribcage high...this turns out to be a real back saver, and knee saver. Any larger sails, you need a large perfectly flat, smooth floor, no humps.

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