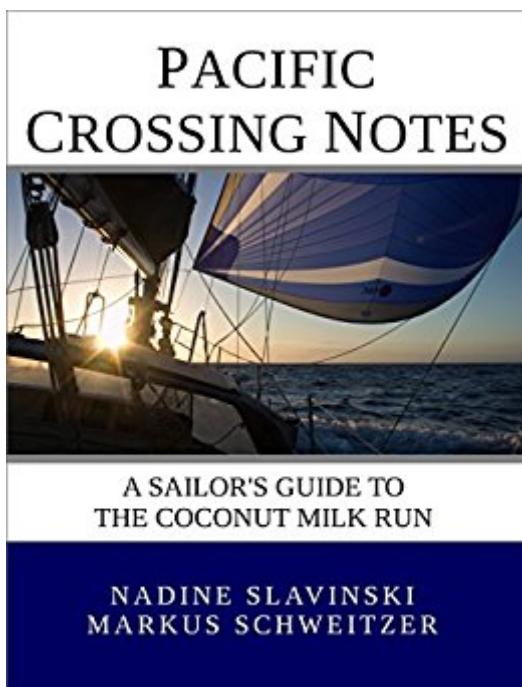


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# Pacific Crossing Notes: A Sailor's Guide To The Coconut Milk Run (Rolling Hitch Sailing Guides)



## **Synopsis**

Pacific Crossing Notes covers everything from preparation, weather, and safety to detailed information on the island groups of the Coconut Milk Run: the trade-wind route from the Americas to Australia. Along with information on clearing-in procedures, availability of supplies, and top anchorages and sights, this book covers Panama, the Galapagos Islands, Marquesas, Tuamotus, Society Islands, Cook Islands, Tonga, Fiji, Vanuatu, and New Caledonia. Separate sections describe a trip down the US East Coast, the Panama Canal, New Zealand, and Australia (including tips on selling a boat there for a one-way trip). This guide strives to balance facts with flavors, making it a book to keep you company during the countdown to your own passage as well as a practical guide to pull out as you face each successive landfall in the voyage of a lifetime. And all for less than the price of a single issue of a sailing magazine!

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## **Customer Reviews**

I bought my copy of Pacific Crossing Notes on , but I am writing a review at the request, on page 373, of the author. The book is great - and I think essential - for those who are really going to go.

There is a lot of priceless information about radio nets, websites, how to get - and use - weather information, passage planning, whether to dare to go to Fatu Hiva without formally checking in at the Marquesas first (page 180), etc., etc. I have never read anything like it, except occasional articles in the Seven Seas Cruising Association Bulletin. I love that the authors' 35 year old boat had neither air conditioning, a water maker, or a flat screen TV. The book is focused on boats "the rest of us" own and cruise. I think the book is not, nor was it written to be, great literature, and those who are looking for great sailing literature should try the Hiscocks, for starters. But the book is 5 stars for what it is intended to be - a practical GO NOW! guide.

Excellent guide to Pacific cruising. Very organized, detailed information on route planning, anchorages, local contacts, and weather. I particularly enjoyed the notes on celestial navigation as an augment, backup and cross check to modern GPS systems. Nadine and Markus share their experiences from a pragmatic, budget-conscious perspective that lets those who are planning for a similar cruise know that it is possible without breaking the bank! I purchased the Kindle version and had some initial formatting issues on the first download, which was promptly resolved and remedied directly by the author! A great read in addition to awesome author support. Highly recommended!

Whether you are "planning to go" or just want to vicariously sail the South Pacific, this is a very good book which is informative, well written and provides valuable insight into both the nautical and human sides of long distance cruising and the South Pacific. Well done Nadine!! And thank you.

Lots of good info here, of value to cruiser-wannaabees as well as seasoned cruisers setting out to cross the Pacific Ocean. In addition to the details of the Pacific Crossing itself, there is also material devoted to preparing the boat, shake-down cruises, selling the boat in Australia etc. Its all good. When I first bought and downloaded the book from , it had hundreds of formatting errors. I contacted the author directly and was emailed a well formatted, polished product. Its a good, easy read and you won't get bogged down in technical details.

Slavinski's books are probably the best value for the price of any book related to cruising. In a world of very expensive "How To" cruising books, her books really stand out, and Pacific Crossing Notes is no exception. If you are considering a trip through the Pacific, you owe it to yourself to get this book. It's full of helpful information to make your trip more enjoyable. There are only so many places you can visit in a season, and this book will help you not only get there safely, but help you make

the most of your limited time. I've purchased other books by Slavinski, and I have found them all to be worth the small price that she's asking.

I loved this book full of great information and easy to read I will keep this for future refreshes thank you to the Author

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