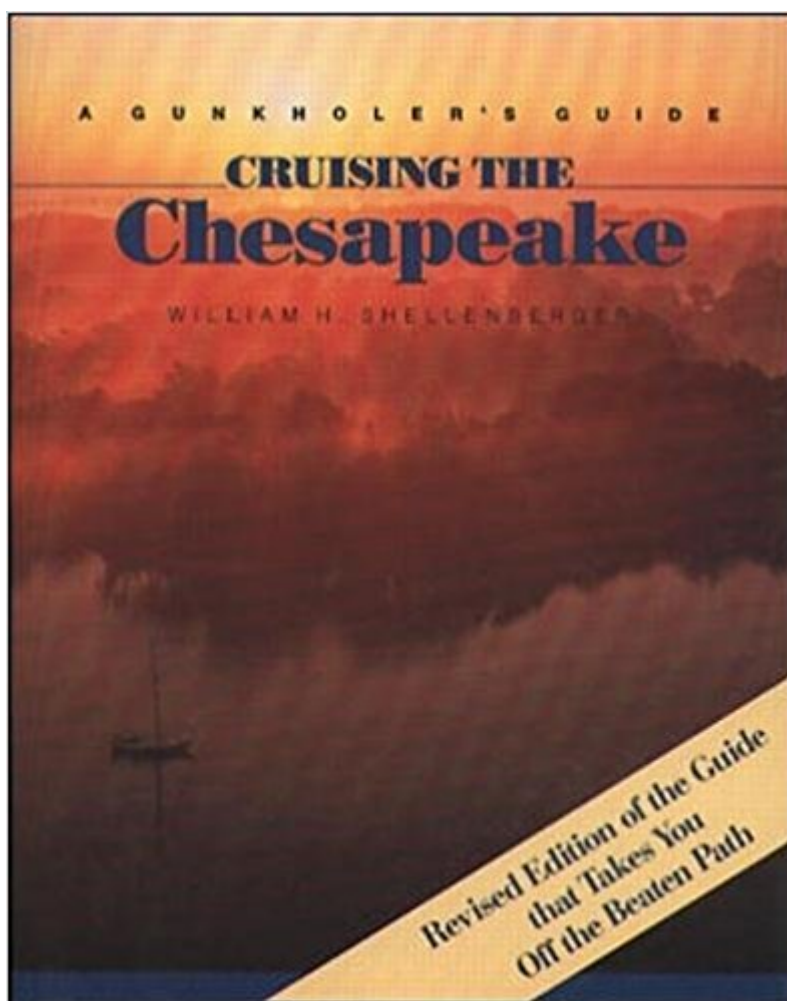


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Cruising The Chesapeake: A Gunkholer's Guide



Synopsis

Here is a thoroughly revised and updated edition of the Chesapeake Bay's best cruising guide. Eastern-Southeast Boating said that a copy "should be in the library of every cruising yachtsman." The Virginian-Pilot said, "With more than 3,000 miles of shoreline, the Chesapeake Bay offers a treasury of cruising spots. Shellenberger's book provides the key to unlock it." Dolphin Book Club News said, "This is the best guide we've seen on the largest, most varied, and probably the most popular cruising grounds and boating area in the United States today." We couldn't have said it better ourselves.

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"A copy should be in the hands of the fleet captains of every yacht club as well as in the library of every cruising yachtsman. It should be consulted each step of a cruise in much the same manner one checks his charts before getting underway." -- Eastern-Southeast Boating "Great chartlets... plus a loving portrait of the bay." -- Cruising World "Were it only a navigational aid, the book would be worth owning, but its introductory chapters and sidebars lift it into the realm of good travel writing as well." -- Mid-Atlantic Country

Seems to be a great resource. Well organized, with a trove of useful details. Have already learned about a few good places to anchor, etc. not very far from where our boat is docked that I hadn't been aware of. Only downside -- and it's pretty big -- is the age of the book. The latest edition was published in 2001, so the status of some business establishments listed in the book will have

changed. For example, there's a rave review for a restaurant in our area that burned to the ground in 2003. Best to call ahead before heading out if you're planning on visiting a business establishment listed in the book that you're not certain is still around.

I love this book. It is all about the the places I could or should anchor. It not only covers the good places to visit, but the all the little creeks and rivers. I have been waiting all winter to try one of the 3 day cruises. I would like one of the longer cruises but the wife's chickens won't allow that. I will keep this book on board so I can find a place to duck into at any moment.

It seems to be a great book however I didn't bother to check when the book was written. My copy is about 25 years old so a lot of the information is out dated. I will probably buy another one that is up to date. If it wasn't dated I would have given it 5 stars.

My wife and I just completed a 3 month cruise from New York to Florida., spending a month in the Chesapeake. We used this guide to plan our routes and suggested ports and activities. I found it very useful. One negative of this book is that it make a few ports a little more exciting sounding then they really are (but all cruising guilds do this)

I have two copies of the 2001 edition: one aboard my sailboat in Annapolis and the second in my office. Most of my use of the book has been in the middle Chesapeake. In crawling up and down the Magothy, Severn, South, West, Rhode, Chester, Wye, and Tred Avon Rivers this book has provided helpful insight into what I would find. This book and the Maptech chart book are all you need to find your way to and through the backwaters of the Chesapeake.

Content is excellent, the book binding is bad, and the pages fell out

After using the other popular cruising guide for several seasons we bit the bullet and bought this one. Throw the other one away, this one has better descriptions of the places to go, how to get into the anchorages, what's there waiting for you, and where to anchor. Worth the \$\$.

I bought this book because I wanted a complete description of the Chesapeake area to help us in a planned visit of the area. It has met or exceeded my expectations with excellent maps and complete descriptions of the navigable areas. It provides detailed navigation advice along with an overall

description of what to see, facilities, history, etc...

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