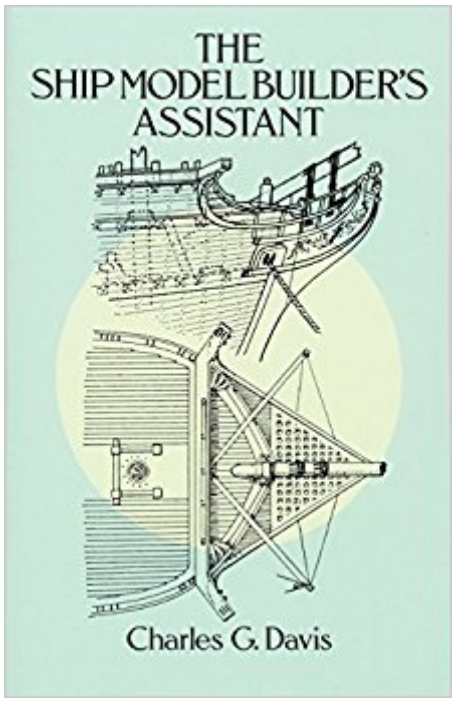
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Invaluable book about ship modeling. Lots of helpful hints and information on how to make jigs, tools and why you should do this or that to be a successful ship modeler.

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