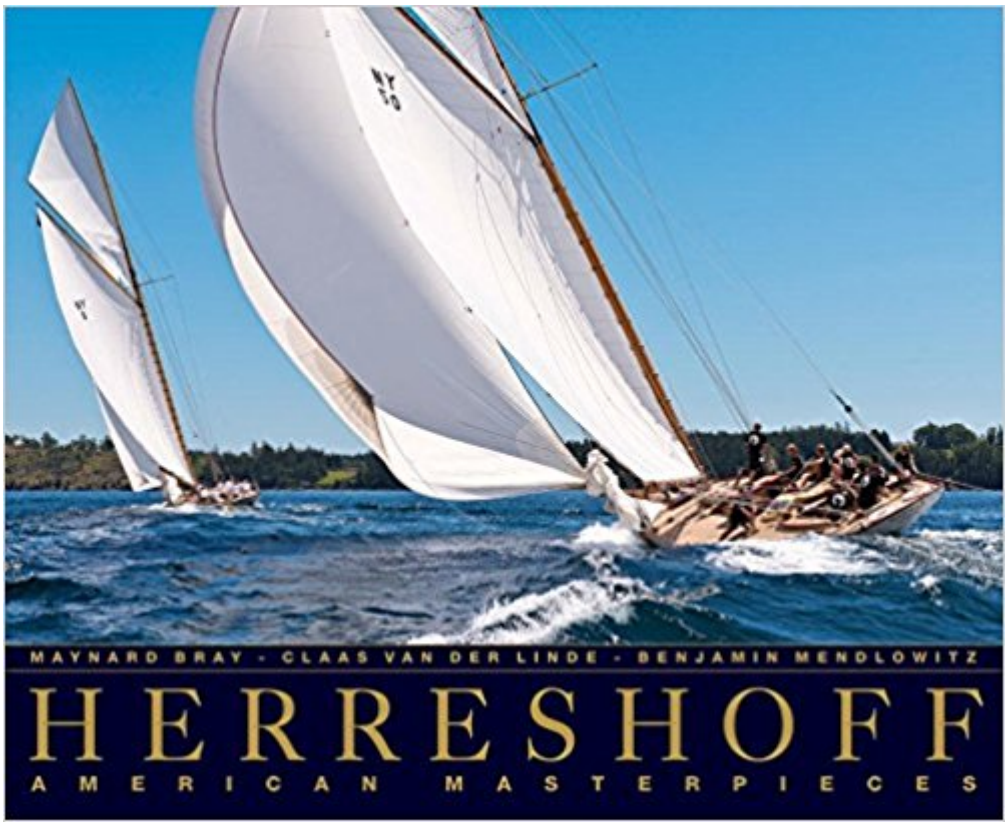
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Herreshoff: American Masterpieces



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Synopsis

Elegant by design and spectacular in performance, thirty-six iconic Herreshoff boats are showcased in magnificent photographs and original drawings. The Herreshoff Manufacturing CompanyÃ¢â ¬â ¢led by its founding spirit, the brilliant designer Captain Nathanael Greene Herreshoff (1848Ã¢â ¬â œ1938)Ã¢â ¬â ¢ constructed the most thrilling, innovative, and graceful boats ever built in the United States, not only lavish yachts and thoroughbred racing classes but also daysailers and dinghies, weekend cruisers and motor launches. Marine historian Maynard Bray and Herreshoff expert Claas van der Linde, in collaboration with renowned nautical photographer Benjamin Mendlowitz, present the very finest of the Herreshoff designs afloat today, with insightful commentary on design evolution in every facet from lines to displacement to hardware, accompanied by full-color images of each vessel both in detail and under way, as well as unique color reproductions of HerreshoffÃ¢â ¬â„¢s own archival plans and drawings. Each entry incorporates a history of the boat (or class), its owners, race results, and fate, celebrating the many that still grace our waters. 200 color photographs; 38 plans

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"... outstanding written history including hundreds of inspiring images and archival drawings for many of HMC’s most iconic designs." -- Classic Boat

Marine historian Maynard Bray has authored or co-authored many books on the subject of wooden boats, including the classic Book of Wooden Boats. He lives in Brooklin, Maine.Benjamin

Mendlowitz is America’s premier photographer of wooden boats. He lives in Brooklin, Maine.Claas van der Linde compiled the Herreshoff Catalogue RaisonnÃƒÂ©; he lives in Switzerland and sails in Maine.Kurt Hasselbach is curator of the Hart Nautical Collections at MIT and lives in Melrose, Massachusetts.Benjamin Mendlowitz is America’s premier photographer of wooden boats. He lives in Brooklin, Maine.

Beautiful book. Bought it for my father for his birthday. Some really stunning photos along with plenty of text regarding the history of the different Herreshoff boats. My dad loves it. Well worth the cost.

This book exceeded my expectations. I knew the commentary by Maynard Bray would be very insightful and Benjamin Mendlowitz’s photo’s excellent. The origoinal drawings from the MIT collection are most informative and add a new demension. I crewed on a Fisher’s Island 31 many years ago and I learned several things about the design for the first time. I highly recomend the book.

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