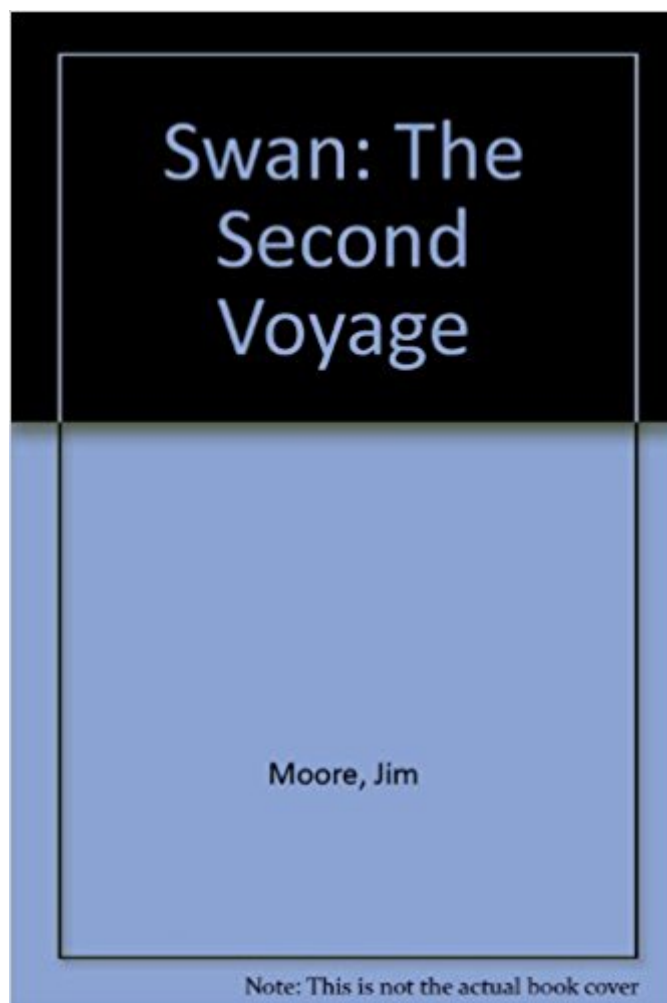


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Swan: The Second Voyage



Synopsis

This is the story of a two-year, 10,000-mile voyage from Hawaii to the East Coast of the United States via the Panama Canal, with a sojourn in the Sea of Cortez. It is in some ways the sequel to the Moore's circumnavigation story, but it is also a nuts-and-bolts book, with specific tips on boat building, sailing, and living aboard, woven seamlessly into the narrative.

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Customer Reviews

I'm sorry to say, I haven't read Moore's first book, but I can certainly recommend this one (after reading it twice). Moore has a down to earth writing style and is a real thinking sailor. By that, I mean that he has come up with a lot of good solutions to sailing problems, and he shares them in this book. Besides a running narrative of his experiences, some of which have little to do with cruising, he shares what he has learned about seamanship and life on a boat. He demonstrates how to make a boat leakproof, how to anchor properly, and how to avoid a knockdown while you're sleeping. He throws in a few fishing tips as well, including one that involves vodka (a surprisingly useful tidbit). In comparing this to a similar book, Lin Pardey's "Cruising in Serrafyn", I'd have to strongly favor Moore. Pardey wrote intirely too much about personal relationships and not enough about sailing. I've read some pretty negative reviews about Moore's first book, but, IMHO, this one is worth the read.

I found this gem by accident on the shelf of a secondhand store, along with several other books on

the subject of cruising (which I also bought). This was by far, the best written of the bunch! They say the key to being a good author, is finding your "voice" on the written page, and Jim Moore has certainly done this. Jim has a narrative style that is entertaining as well as informative. He seamlessly blends together the tale of an adventure and lifestyle story that is full of amusing anecdotes, along with truly useful information about sailing, navigating, and living on a sailing vessel. I also appreciated Jim's ability to maintain continuity throughout the book (something not common in the others I've read). Read it the first time for the sheer enjoyment. Read it the second time using a highlighter (if you ever plan to go cruising)!

Jim Moore takes us on Swan his home made 36 foot sloop in the Pacific and then around North America. You learn about Molly the Mate, Vane the proud wind vane, CN (Cool Navigator) the smart allec Sat Nav and other picturesque characters. You will travel to places you will not want to leave. You will also find some of the lessons that the author learned on sailing, cruising and fishing.

Sometimes amusing, often dull story of a sailing journey. There are many others much better written out there (in my opinion). The sailing tips would be much better accompanied by pictures or drawings (there are a few), to understand what Jim is trying to say.

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