

SEA STORIES

Cochrane: The Life and Exploits of a Fighting Captain by Robert Harvey. New York, NY: Carroll & Graf Publishers, 2000. An immensely readable biography of Lord Thomas Cochrane, England's ablest naval sailor and the man on whom Patrick O'Brien modelled the character and adventures of Jack Aubrey.

Pacific Graveyard by James A. Gibbs. Portland, OR: Binford & Mort Publishing, 1963. A history of marine efforts and mishaps at the mouth of the the great Columbia River.

The Hornblower series of novels by C. S. Forester, equally as well done though not as plentiful or comprehensive as Patrick O'Brien's more recent series (see below).

The Cochin Connection: Two Against the Drug Trade by Brian and Alison Milgate. Great read about a gutsy pair of cruisers.

My Old Man And the Sea by David Hays and Danial Hays. Father and son to Cape Horn.

The SHIP and the STORM: Hurricane Mitch and the loss of the Fantome by Jim Carrier. Gripping and informative description of the forecasting and impact of a category V hurricane.

In the Heart of the Sea: The Tragedy of the Whaleship Essex by Nathaniel Philbrick. Great read.

The Boat That Wouldn't Float by Farley Mowat. Good read.

Honey, Let's Get A Boat... A Cruising Adventure of America's Great Loop. by Ron and Eva Stob. Interesting description of a year on a trawler travelling on inland waterways.

The Brendan Voyage by Tim Severin. Fascinating description of voyage replicating the boat and the route from Ireland to Greenland by early monks.

The Riddle of the Sands by Erskine Childers. (Novel) Outstanding sailing story built around foreign intrigue in the early part of the 20th century.

The Nautical Chart by Arturo Perez Reverte. (Novel) Excellent thriller about sailing and ancient charts.

The 20 Jack Aubrey/Stephen Maturin novels by Patrick O'Brien. Outstanding and eminently readable and re-readable novels giving great and historically accurate detail about sea life in the early English Navy.