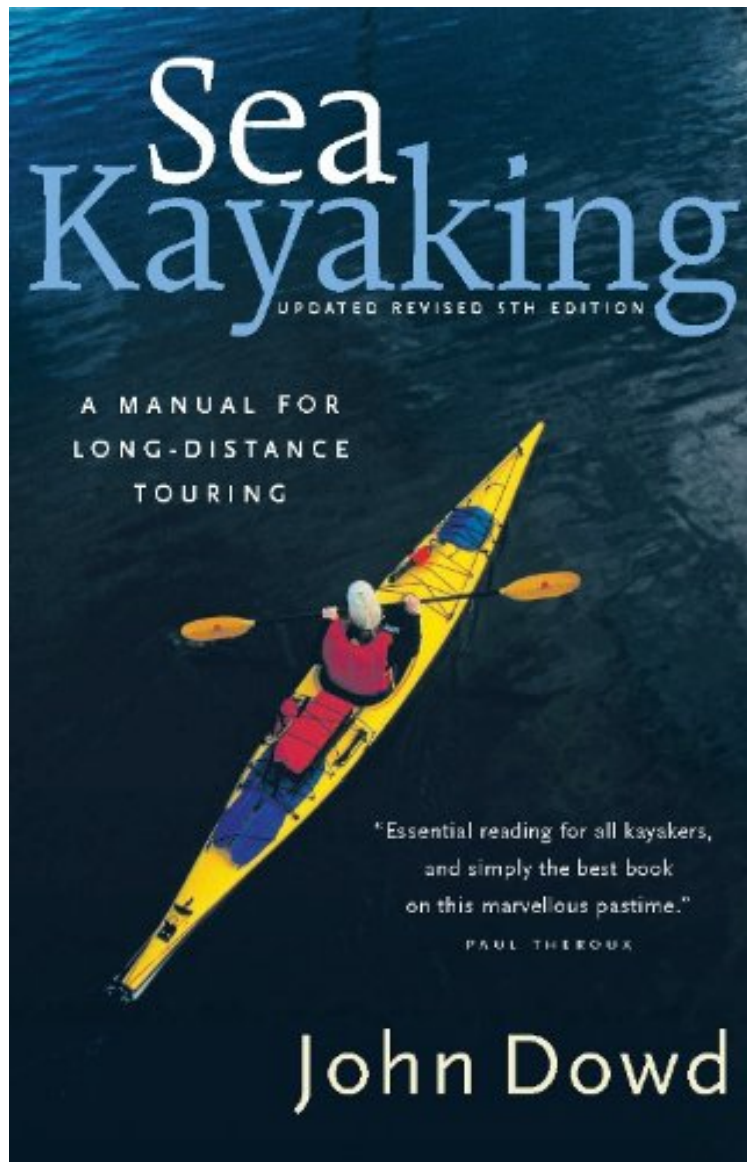


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Von John Dowd : Sea Kayaking: A Manual for Long-Distance Touring before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Sea Kayaking: A Manual for Long-Distance Touring:

KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen2 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Comprehensive and readable, good practical adviceVon Ein KundeI first read his 1988 edition as I was just getting into sea kayaking. I have since built 3 singles and a triple and have done week-long trips in Prince William Sound, Puget Sound, Sea of Cortez, and New Zealand. So I'm now fairly experienced and yet still learn (relearn?) new information

and techniques when I reread it. I especially appreciate Dowd's emphasis on self-rescues as opposed to assisted rescues. So many rescues that work in a pool with an unloaded boat are impossible in 38F water, 3-foot seas, with 150 pounds of gear in your touring kayak. And yet that is when you really need a solid rescue technique. His references to some of the epoch, historic and recent, long-distance expeditions are inspirational. When you're slogging 5 miles back to camp against a 15-knot wind, it helps to remember that people have paddled across the Atlantic and that your task is doable. Be safe, go see cool places, happy paddling. -David Thomas

Kurzbeschreibung This classic guide focuses on the fundamentals of seamanship that are essential knowledge to all ocean paddlers. Sea kayaking has come a long way since this informative manual was published more than twenty years ago. From an offbeat pastime enjoyed by an adventurous few, the sport has become an industry unto itself. Veteran paddler John Dowd's readable, well-illustrated guide still stands as "the bible" for both new and experienced kayakers. Sea Kayaking covers the basics of equipment and technique, including types of paddles and strokes. But the key focus in this revised and updated edition is on sound seamanship and good risk management: how to read the weather and the water, how to navigate, how to travel with a group. Drawing on his long experience paddling in all climates, Dowd presents practical, concrete advice on dealing with potential hazards (from surf to sea ice to sharks) and carrying out rescues. The book contains new photographs and numerous helpful charts, diagrams and illustrations. It also covers expedition planning, instructional methods and sea kayaking for people with disabilities. As more and more paddlers take to the water, this classic guide continues to be required reading for those seeking adventure on the open ocean.