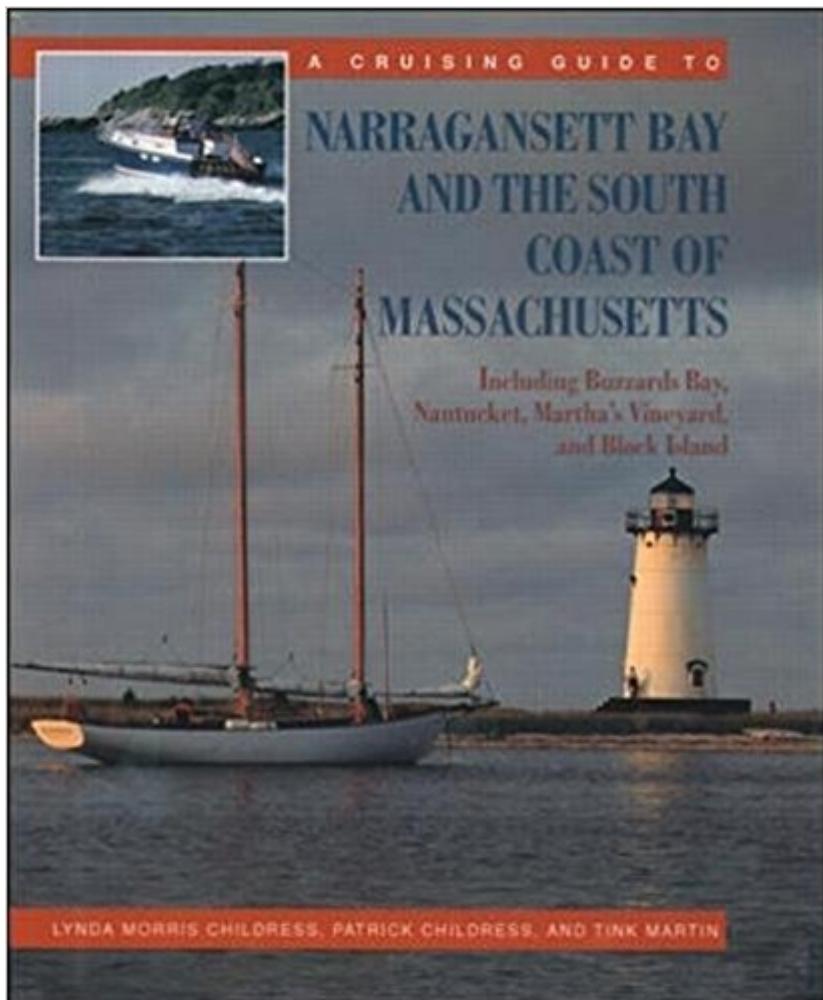


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A Cruising Guide To Narragansett Bay And The South Coast Of Massachusetts: Including Buzzard's Bay, Nantucket, Martha's Vineyard, And Block Island





Synopsis

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- Tested piloting information, with currents, approaches, and tips from local cruisers
- Detailed maps and charts
- A marina directory with services and facilities
- A comprehensive rating system for the area's anchorages
- A detailed listing of launch ramps

I deliver sailboats, and teach sailing in Narragansett Bay, Vineyard Sound, and Buzzards Bay. Even though this book is now 20+ years old, it is a FANTASTIC resource!!! The anchorages are still there, the history is still there, and this book documents and explains all of them!! I refer to this book every time when planning an overnight cruise, and try to have it aboard so that my clients can learn more about the area. The book is organized geographically, dividing Narragansett Bay and Buzzards Bay into smaller areas so that you can focus on a specific area. It tells you which NOAA charts cover the area, and it uses the traditional five star rating system for each point of interest. Information on Approaches, Anchorages, Moorings, Fuel, Things to Do, Where to Eat, Receipts(!), Provisioning, History and local Etiquette are presented where relevant. All of the reviews that I have read (it's a BIG book) are spot on. While there are other resources, such as ActiveCaptain, and Waterway

Guide, that provide updated versions of some of the information presented in this book, none of them are as comprehensive. I only wish that the authors would revise and update the book. If the authors updated the book, and if the list selling price were \$50 it would be WELL WORTH IT! As it is, I have just paid over \$50 for a used copy.

Extraordinary valuable resource for both planning and while underway. I used it extensively during a cruise from NJ to Narragansett bay/Block island sound this summer. It gives you some history and reads like your own personal tour guide. I found some information on anchorages and dinghy docks to be out dated but that's to be expected.. I'd recommend using active captain to confirm key information but I'd still buy this again. The book lives on the boat in the summer and migrates with the paper charts back to the house for the winter where it helps occupy the winter months planning the next summer's cruise.

This is an excellent book for anyone interested in becoming more aware of boating safety and operations. It pretty well covers the water front for the recreational boater and provides the basic information to become a serious boater.

I ordered this used book and it's great. First, the bookseller did a great job by immediately shipping the book to me. It arrived in perfect condition. The book is fantastic. It gives all sorts of information that I did not know regarding Narragansett Bay. Even though I've been sailing on the Bay for many years, this book gave all sorts of history and provided quite a few answers to questions I always had about all sorts of things on the Bay. I consider this a "must read" for anyone who boats on Narragansett Bay.

Great guide to all the inlets in Narragansett Bay and surrounding areas. The book has all the place we know of and we agree totally and we can't wait to try out the places we didn't know about. Thank you for a great book.

I always wondered what those old ruins were hidden on overgrown islands, the history of secluded anchorages.... Great naturalist, along the shore information. Excellent cruising guide!

Throughly enjoyed this well written and researched book. Some of the places I'm very familiar with and others will be new adventures this and subsequent summers. Definitely encourages me to visit

new harbors. Also, a lot of fun to have the back stories / history on this area.

Being very familiar with boating on Buzzards Bay i was drawn to expand my sea ventures. This book gave a great dipiction of the waters along the south coast of Mass and RI. I have already traveled to many of the destinations the book discussed. what a great service the author has done for the boating community

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