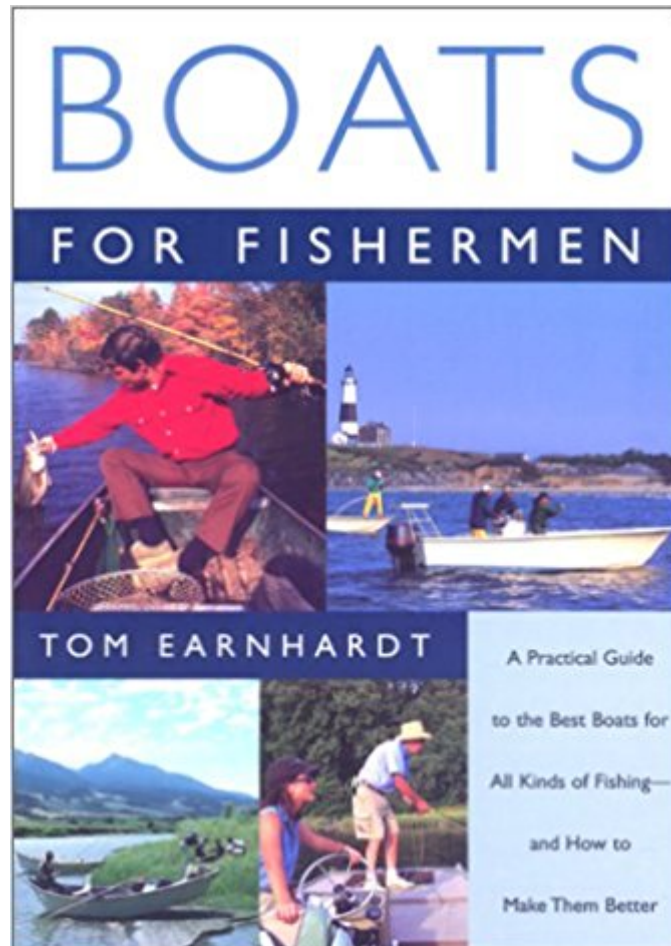




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Fishing and great boats are inseparable. Prams, drift boats, canoes, kayaks, johnboats, big-water V-hulls, sea cats, flats boats, and many others are all available to today's angler - but what is the best boat for a specific fisherman's needs, and how can he improve it to fit the fishing he does? Tom Earnhardt has forty years of light-tackle experience on boats of every kind and description, and he offers sound advice on everything from hull design to interior layout to power options. In addition, he discusses the most important aspects of trailering, boat care, safety, and etiquette. Whether you fish a rowboat on a farm pond or a center console in the ocean, *Boats for Fishermen* will become your most valued reference. (7 X 10, 272 pages, color photos, b&w photos)

Tom Earnhardt is the author of the pioneering *Fly Fishing the Tidewaters* and numerous articles in national outdoor magazines on all aspects of fishing. He is a lawyer and professor of law, and he now lives with his wife and two children in Raleigh, North Carolina.

I'm a field editor for *Skiff Life*, <http://www.skifflife.com> and I am doing a story on types of fishing boats. This book was fundamental on so many levels. There is a definite tilt toward fishing as the title indicates but it does an excellent job of explaining the Pros and Cons of different types of boats.

This boat was written in the 90's so it is due a rewrite in the electronics sections. What you will find is that not much has changed for the style of boats and what they are good for. Almost 20 years later, you'll find the advice offered is totally relevant to today's offerings.

This is really a great book. The only reason it did not get 5 stars is that I wish it were a bit longer and more indepth. I would have liked to hear more specifics about livewells, fishfinders and other boat features. It is well written and enjoyable to read. It covers all the basics of which hull designs are the most stable and best fishing platforms, the pros and cons of fiberglass vs. aluminum, etc. It is a very good starting point if you are a boating novice, or in my case, have been away from boats for a period of time. If you have been knocking around in fishing boats your whole life, you may not get a lot out of this book, however, if you are the shore fisherman who is ready to make a first leap into owning a fishing boat... get this and read it cover to cover....

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