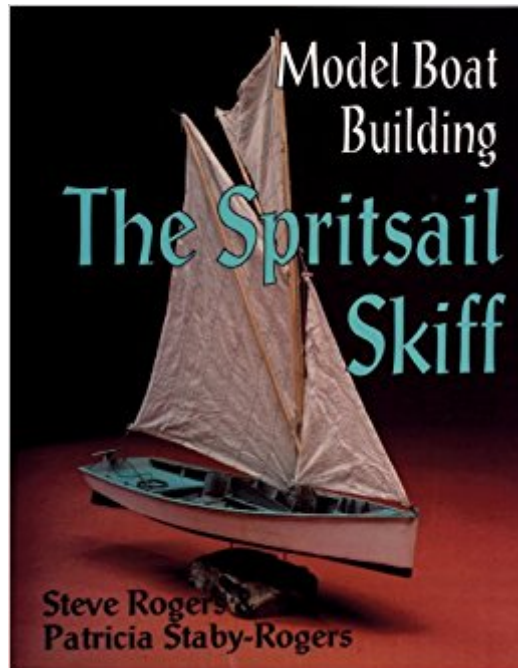




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Synopsis

The people of Deal's Island make their living by harvesting the various fisheries of the Chesapeake Bay. The people were there before the roads and the bridges. They got around in the boats that they designed and built by themselves. With beautiful color photographs, helpful drawings, and a wealth of knowledge that comes from years of craftsmanship, Steve Rogers leads the reader through the building of a model of the North Carolina Sprintsail Skiff, one of the many truly ingenious and unique craft that developed in this environment. The model is in one-inch scale and is built in much the same way as the actual boat was. Clear step-by-step directions are given for everything for the jigs to the sails.

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Incredible. This book is amazing. The writers are true to the spirit, and the lines of the sprints'l. I am a proud sprints'l owner, and I know what the fair ones look like. The boat they model in this book has all the right curves in the right places to put a pin up model to shame. They lay out in simple terms and with precise measurements the entire process of the build. Step by step, and peice by peice they make a tiny perfect duplicate of a real working sprints'l. I couldn't imagine a concisely written, yet plenty explanatory, and well illustrated way to have written this book. It covers all the bases, and hits a home run. I believe it would be totally possible to loft the dimensions up, and build a fine full sized sprints'l from the lines and dimensions in this book. There's no higher compliment.

The well-written instructions and excellent photographs in this book made construction of the Spritsail Skiff model simple and enjoyable. After making several false starts in scale model building, this book helped me to create a finished product that has received very positive reviews. This is an excellent book for anyone with basic modeling skills to get started in wooden model boat building. I enjoyed the presentation so much, I bought the companion book on building the Skipjack and I am now half finished with that model. Let's hope that Steve Rogers and Patricia Staby-Rogers continue to publish more of these excellent books for hobbyists.

I now have all of Steve & Patricia's books. Well written and well illustrated. Complete, detailed instructions for building this North Carolina work boat. Due to health issues, I had to "downsize" my life, including my full-size furniture building hobby. The Roger's model building process was a natural transition for my skills set. I'm indebted to them for showing me how to still be creative!

If a picture says a thousand words, this book has millions of them. This covers the creation of a great little model boat. The text and photos go hand in hand. It truly makes the process of building a model boat a fun and simple endeavor.

I like the way he writes his books.

Love it! I learned so much by following his example. Nice illustrations and directions. Details exactly what supplies are needed, which nails/pins to use during construction. His experience shows thru. Ended up with a beautiful boat model.

Very comprehensive and well thought out. This book also covered more than I expected. How to make the sails and rigging. Also the process of painting was explained.

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