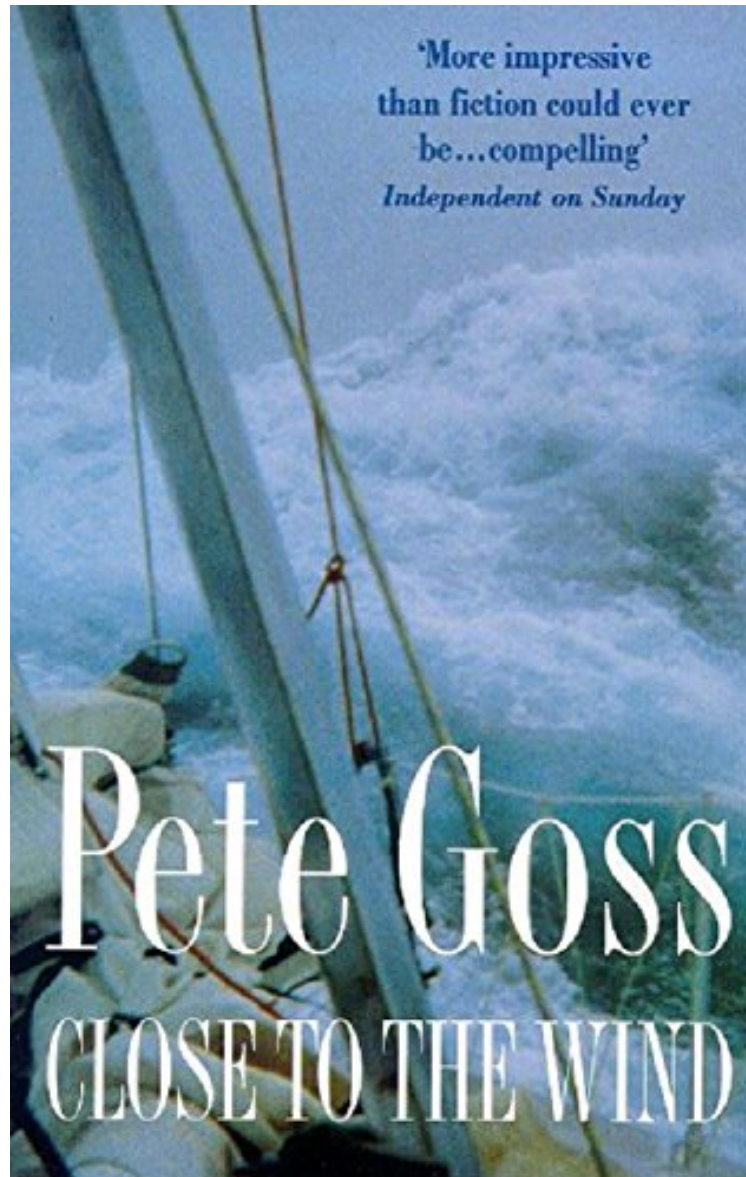


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Background Von H Stinson I enjoyed this book but I did think he talked a little too much about his struggles to get sponsorship and not enough about his sailing. The sailing parts of the book were the most interesting because he always seems to be pushing his boats to the limit. Which in turn he seems to always almost sink them. So for his next book, which will be coming out I'm sure after his around the world race in 2001, more sailing less background.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Determination Triumphs Von Ein Kunde This is an inspiring story of how Pete Goss learnt to overcome both the physical and the financial challenges of global sailboat racing. I had to keep turning the pages to find out how he would manage to raise sufficient funds to enter each successive race and then how he would perform each one. Pete Goss' humanity and courage are shown in his solo rescue of a fellow sailor in the Southern Oceans. The book contains interesting sections on sailing but is a good read for anyone interested in seeing how a little guy overcomes considerable odds in style.

0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Great Frigging Story! Von Ein Kunde Goss is the real deal. A real-life hero. ...Both for what he has done for others and what he has accomplished for himself. Through Goss you'll get a glimpse of the kind of real-life tenacity and spirit it takes just to get to the starting line (let alone finish) of a challenge larger than most of us will ever choose to face. If you're looking to experience an exciting story about a yacht race you've missed the boat...they left in '96. Read this book, maybe you'll do something worth writing about yourself! A GREAT INSPIRATION.

Kurzbeschreibung Pete Goss became a national and international hero when he rescued French yachtsman Raphael Dinelli as his boat sank beneath him in the round-the-world single-handed sailing race, the Vendee Globe, on Christmas Day 1996. In doing so Pete scuppered his own chances in the race but was awarded the Legion d'Honneur by France's president and made a friend for life in Dinelli.

Close to the Wind is his own story of the race and its dramas, his revolutionary boat, Aqua Quorum, his thoughts and emotions during four months of solitude at sea, the extraordinary surgery that he had to perform on his own elbow and the aftermath of the rescue in the Southern Ocean.

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