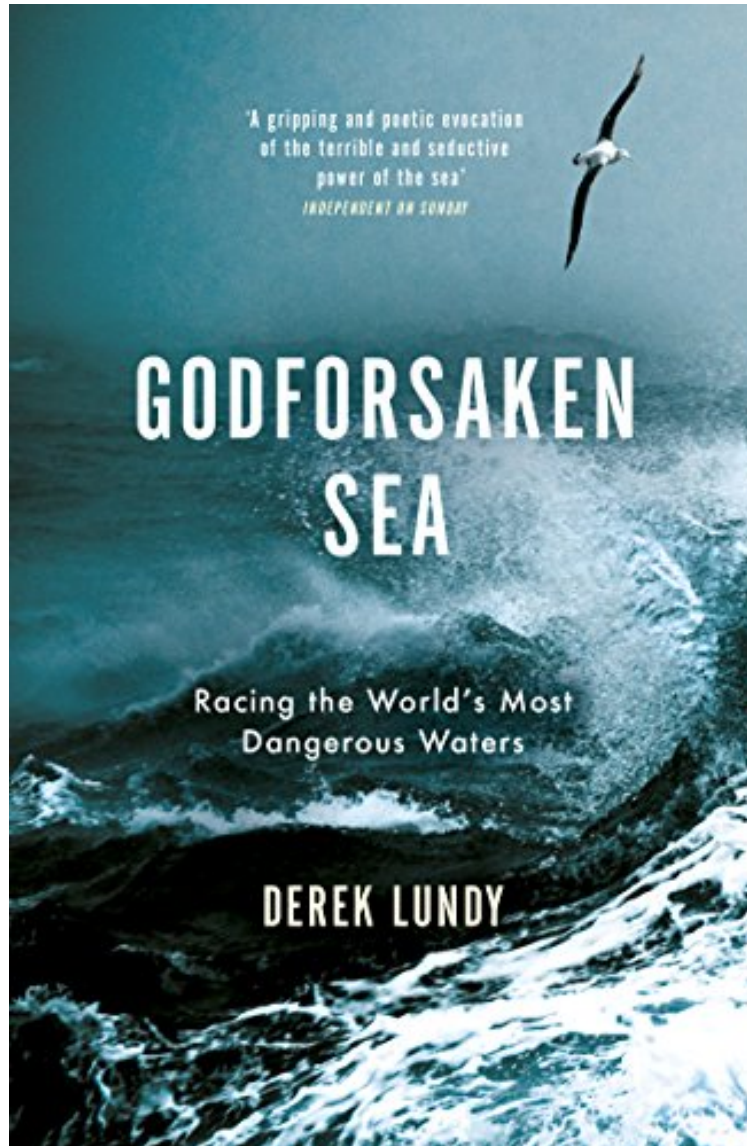


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bored and was glad to put it down. A real chore to read and I can't understand how the reviews for this book are overwhelmingly positive. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Eeeeeek! Von Ein Kunde I grew up in the Southern Hemisphere (South Africa) and sailed Hobie 14s on the Cape Coast. You really learn to respect (actually dread is a better way to describe it sometimes) the sea if you sail in these fast little craft. I can only imagine how awesome the Southern Ocean must be. Lundy does an excellent job of describing the events as they unfolded in the 1996/1997 Vendee Globe. It is a truly terrifying account. A yachting friend of mine summed this book up really well: if you want to enjoy sailing don't read books like this one. They'll just scare you into never setting sail again. To me this book was awful and captivating at the same time - you just can't put it down, because you know there is going to be this horrible gut wrenching saga taking place in a godforsaken place where the seas are like 'six story buildings' and 'knock downs' are common. Lundy does his best to delve into the minds of these (in my opinion) crazy competitors. His research on the race, navigation and seamanship in general is obviously excellent. He does seem to know what he is talking about. The technical stuff is mostly fascinating and thorough. But ultimately you have to do a big Galic shrug of the shoulders if you want to understand the sailors who compete in the Vendee Globe. All of Lundy's research and interviews with the competitors fails in this respect...they're just stark raving bonkers, just accept it! Buy this book but be warned...get something cheerful to read afterwards. 0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. What an Adventure! Von L. Gregg Whew! What a story! The book is very well-written and will enable the reader to experience the nail-biting excitement of the Race from the safety of a cozy LazyBoy. I've read other reviews here and found that a few criticized the 'bouncing around'. This actually helps to keep things exciting and the book moves at a quick pace. The short chapters helped me (busy) steal a quick chapter here and there. I found myself reading much of this while engaged in air travel and often caught myself breathing heavily and grunting out 'wow', 'ugh', and 'oh' (fellow passengers often inquired about what I was reading). I'm a Northwest sailor who's experienced some rough weather. This made my experiences seem like pony rides compared to this wild adventure. Imagine spending a few months - alone and non-stop - surfing down 5-story waves at 25 knots and living through it! This is truly an incredible adventure and these are most incredible people. The writer guides you through the experiences of the participants and provides glimpses into the background and make-up of the super-humans who dreamed, dared, and survived (and those that did not) this ordeal. My only criticism is that the maps were too few and not nearly as detailed as they should have been (pull out your Atlas and you'll be happy). There could have been a few photos that would have made this great book even greater. If you're a sailor, you'll love this book. If not, you'll still be entertained and amazed by what humans can endure and achieve.

Kurzbeschreibung 'One of the best books ever written about sailing' Time 27,000 miles, three and a half to five months alone at sea, chilling casualty rates, the unrelenting strain of handling 60-foot boats day and night, the absolute certainty of weather and waves that could destroy them. On 3 November 1996 sixteen sailors set out from the Bay of Biscay to embark on the Vendee Globe - a single-handed yacht race through the world's most treacherous and isolated seas. Of the sixteen starters only six completed the course, six others withdrew or were disqualified, three were plucked from sinking boats and one disappeared without trace. This is a book about the sea: how we are drawn to it and how it repels us and about why these men and women risk everything to embark on such a perilous journey. TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY EDITION, WITH A NEW FOREWORD FROM THE AUTHOR. de The Vendee Globe yacht race is the ultimate test in sailing. Competitors take to the sea in 60-foot yachts sailing from France, across the Atlantic Ocean, around three capes, and through the perilous Southern Ocean, before heading back to port in France. This is a grueling task for any sailor, but to attempt this single-handedly and non-stop means that this race is only for the world's most experienced and daring sailors. The 1996/97 race gained national interest in Britain when the English competitor, Tony Bullimore, capsized his boat in the most remote part of the Southern Ocean, and waited patiently in his upturned boat in 50 foot waves and gale to hurricane force winds for four days while the Australian Navy made their rescue attempt. Tony Bullimore was not the only sailor to get into trouble in the ferocious Southern Ocean during this race. The French sailor, Dinelli, waited for 2 days on his half sunken yacht, strapping himself to his broken mast and surviving the harsh elements while he waited for a fellow sailor to tack 400 miles back to his wreck. Lundy has written a compelling book giving vivid description of life on a yacht in one of the most hostile environments on this planet. He assimilates competing in this race to the other grueling adventures such as climbing Mount Everest or walking to the North Pole. His own extensive sailing experience allows him to capture the inner thoughts and feelings that tear through the sailor's mind as they battle for days with power of the open sea. --Steven Payne.co.uk The Vendee Globe yacht race is the ultimate test in sailing. Competitors take to the sea in 60-foot yachts sailing from France, across the Atlantic Ocean, around three capes, and through the perilous Southern Ocean, before heading back to port in France. This is a grueling task for any sailor, but to attempt this single-handedly and non-stop means that this race is only for the world's most experienced and daring sailors. The 1996/97 race gained national interest in Britain when the English competitor, Tony Bullimore, capsized his boat in the most remote part of the Southern Ocean, and waited

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