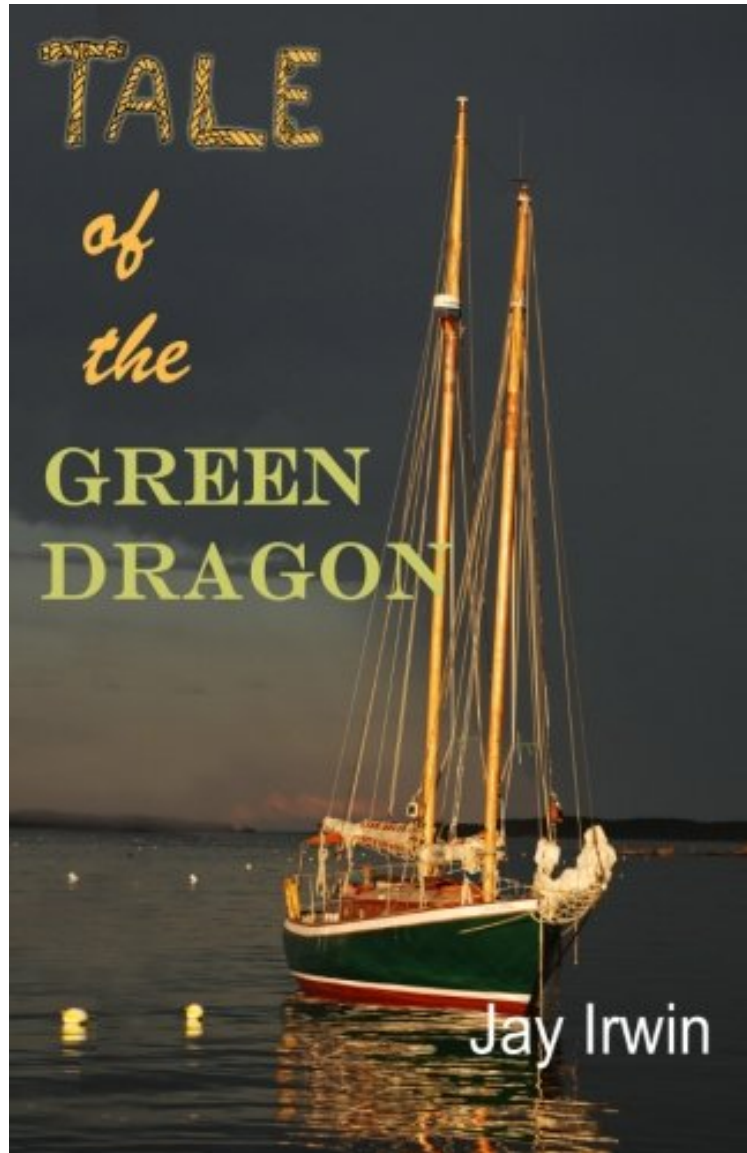


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**Jay Irwin : Tale of the Green Dragon** before purchasing it in order to gage whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Tale of the Green Dragon:

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great read for seasoned sailors and "old salts"By zzzThis was more of a travelog, but contained some adventure. For seasoned sailors, every mooring is an adventure, every conversation with a local something to document. Not to say this isn't interesting stuff, but it moves somewhat slowly. The author added quite a bit about the history of some of the places they visited, with a good amount devoted to City Island

Marina, which is actually part of the Bronx. Unless the reader is a fairly seasoned sailor, s/he is not likely to understand much of the sailors' terminology and jargon. All-in-all, an interesting read. And, a lesson for living in the "now."

4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. Listening to a pro

By Evelyn E. Stewart

The one word that covers this book is AUTHENTIC. You don't read so much as listen while Jay tells about sailing a 43.6 foot wooden boat on rivers and bays and the open ocean, about racing, about people and places from Maine to Fells Point (Baltimore). Jay knows what he is talking about, from the first plank in the Green Dragon's mahogany hull to the assorted sails. If you have never sailed and think sailors just sit there and let the wind do all the work, this book will surprise you. If you are a seasoned sailor, sit back with a beer, enjoy the trip and compare memories. There is a lot about friendship here, too. Each chapter ( Way Point) has the words of a different song of the sea, far beyond the standard Glee Club Sea Chanteys. I read this on my Kindle and then bought a copy to see on the shelf, and enjoyed the fine cover photography.

3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Most enjoyable read

By Aunt Duckie

Jay is a true sailor, in every sense. He loves life, friends, and sailing, and it shows in every word. This isn't a life and death action story, it is an enjoyable tale of two friends, sailing up and down the east coast, meeting more friends, both old and new, along the way. It describes life on the boat, and on the shore. It's about the Green Dragon, a beautiful old schooner, and preserving a way of life too quickly disappearing in this disposable world. Jay tells a wonderful tale. If you want to see more pictures of the Green Dragon, I found some on the American Schooner Association web site.

"Let me tell you a whale of a tale of two old codgers who liked to sail; one was named Jay, the other one Al. Between them they had 150 years of living and over 100 years of sailing." So begins the tale of the Green Dragon, a true American blue-blooded gaff-rigged schooner on a peregrinate trip from Spruce Head, Maine, to Fells Point Maryland and the Great Chesapeake Bay Schooner Race. But this is no ordinary logbook of a summer cruise. Armchair sailors will enjoy the sights and sounds of sailing and where to find the best bread or pizza or lobster along the way. Seasoned sailors will appreciate the local knowledge of unlit markers and blinding shore lights along with the author's weaving in of historical context, precise use of nautical terms, and practical approach to living with and loving old wooden boats.