

Safetics® the Sailor's Checklist

Press Review in English



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Lifejacket

The popular Crewfit 180N Pro was made available in a heavy-duty option – the Crewfit 180N Pro HD. This features 500D heavy-duty front body panels to provide maximum durability, as well as reflective tape on the cover for maximum visibility. It is aimed at those working in the marine environment – including marina and charter boat operatives, as well as leisure users – who are looking for a level up in durability. From £95

crewsaver.com

Insulated jacket

Part of Gill's popular OS range, this insulated jacket offers style and lightweight practicality afloat and ashore. £180

gillmarine.com



GEAR ESSENTIALS 50 FOR YOUR WISHLIST



Mini VHF radio

About the size of a pack of playing cards, the waterproof HX40E VHF transceiver offers a powerful 6 Watts of transmitting power. standardhorizon.co.uk

£159.95



AIS VHF radio

B&G's V60-B mid-level VHF radio has the capability to send and receive AIS position data. The V60-B has a large screen, intuitive interface, built-in AIS Class B Transceiver, a front-mountable, mechanical design for 'easy' installation and optional H60 wireless handset with inductive charging. navico.com

£924.99



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safetics.com



Spray top

Twin-layer stretch fabric with taped seams, neoprene waistband and adjustable cuffs and neck make the Magic Marine Racing Spray Top a favourite with Olympic Champion Santiago Lange. £139 (£122 approx)

magicmarine.com



Waterproof socks

Thin enough to be worn under wetboots, waterproof and windproof yet also claimed to be breathable. £40

gillmarine.com

Forward Flow Neo Vest

Forward's 'WIP' acronym stands for Water Impact Protection. We tried its Forward Flow Neo Vest 50N over the 2019 season. Our testers reported that it gave great support for the back. Without being over-tight, the spine is perfectly supported due to its longer length than some buoyancy aids. There are many padded panels. The red interior with black exterior gives it a sophisticated and racy look. 50N £79.99

forward-wip.com



Floating luggage

A new technical range of rucksacks and duffel bags from Overboard has pinch and seal fasteners that are guaranteed to be waterproof. Drop your luggage in the water and it will float too. The bags come in a range of sizes including a vast 90-litre duffel bag. £49.99 - £179.99

over-board.co.uk



Optimum Time

For many years the big yellow Optimum Time watches were the must-have accessory for the racing sailor, offering countdowns, programming and large digits. This snappily titled OS133R watch has all the features of the big yellow watch but in a more stylish package. £69.95

marinesuperstore.com

Radio-controlled yacht

The DragonForce 65 and big sister, DragonFlite 95 restricted one design yachts are both designed to offer simple and affordable entry into the world of radio-controlled sailing. Both are supplied with everything you need to get you on the water, either with or without the radio system. From £149; radiosailing.co.uk



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Launched



LED strobe light

The ODEO from Daniamant is a new high power white flashing light for emergency use. It runs for up to two days on a battery that lasts up to five years, and is perfect for your lifejacket or grab bag. It also meets the 1P68 standard so is submersible to 50m – but you should change the batteries annually for peace of mind.

- £50
- daniament.com



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- £19.90
- safetics.com

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THE BEST NEW GEAR AFLOAT



Element S nav displays

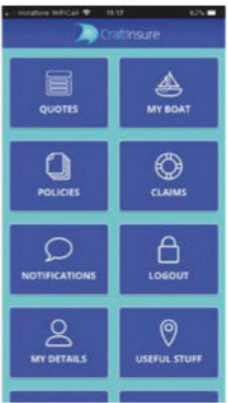
New displays from Raymarine come in 7, 9, and 12in sizes, all with bright, high-contrast screens for exceptional visibility. A 64-bit quadcore processor delivers smooth page and menu transitions and instantaneous chart redraws. Designed as a cruising companion, Element S features a fast and accurate built-in 10Hz GPS sensor and supports charts from leading mapmakers, including Raymarine's new LightHouse NC2 charts, Navionics, and C-MAP

- from £454
- raymarine.eu

Remote control LED searchlight

Easy to install and control, weatherproof ACR searchlights fulfil a variety of uses, such as aiding night-time navigation, signalling other vessels, illuminating landmarks, assisting docking manoeuvres and man overboard searches. They're available with remote control, too.

- c£360
- acrartex.com



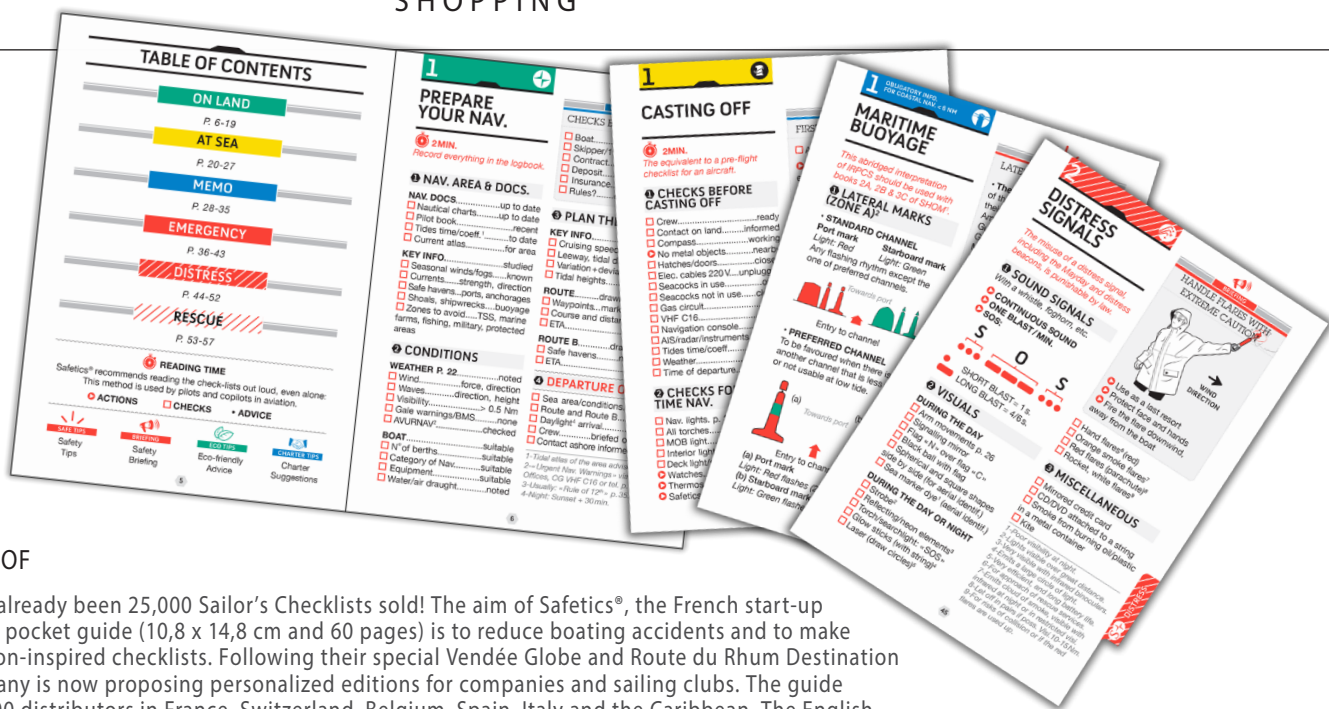
Craftinsure app

Manage your yacht insurance from your phone with the new app from Craftinsure. As well as managing your personal details and payments, you can view your policy, upload pictures of your boat and kit to keep a record for possible claims, and get geolocation alerts if a storm is heading towards your mooring. It also shows you useful local info such as boatyards and repairers.

- Free
- craftinsure.com



SHOPPING



THE SAILOR'S CHECKLIST
WATERPROOF AND TEARPROOF

In the last five years there have already been 25,000 Sailor's Checklists sold! The aim of Safetecs®, the French start-up that thought up this waterproof pocket guide (10,8 x 14,8 cm and 60 pages) is to reduce boating accidents and to make sailors safer thanks to its aviation-inspired checklists. Following their special Vendée Globe and Route du Rhum Destination Guadeloupe editions, the company is now proposing personalized editions for companies and sailing clubs. The guide already has a network of over 400 distributors in France, Switzerland, Belgium, Spain, Italy and the Caribbean. The English language version, translated in 2018 has already been adopted by the UK and Ireland.

Price: € 19.90 / £ 19.90 - www.safetecs.com

IKONVERT
A NEW CONVERTER
NMEA2000/NMEA0183

Digital Yacht has just put the finishing touches to its bidirectional converter, the NMEA2000-NMEA0183 which is designed to facilitate connection between networks. iKonvert is available in two versions: ISO (with NMEA0183 wires) and USB for PCs, Mac and Raspberry Pi. This new material is really useful for connecting instruments such as a chartplotter which doesn't have an NMEA2000 interface, to other equipment which has a NMEA0183 interface. One typical iKonvert application is to permit connectivity with an NMEA0183 interface. Another possibility is to be able to show data from a NMEA2000 network on a piece of sailing software. iKonvert can be easily configured with the integrated DIP switches, allowing for a host of different conversion modes which can handle any type of installation. Installation is easy. You just need to connect the iKonvert NMEA2000 cable to the NMEA2000 network, and the iKonvert will charge itself.

Price: € 145
digitalyacht.co.uk



GILL OS2 / TOP CLASS JACKET AND SALOPETTES!

This latest range from OS2 was launched last December. It was inspired by the Race Ocean collection. The jacket and dungarees that Gill are offering have been designed with a two-layer membrane system which ensures maximum protection in wet weather. The OS2 system creates a hermetic protective envelope, which acts as a wind break and is also breathable. All this and they wear brilliantly and are available in a range of colors. Loads of innovation at affordable prices. The range includes mens' and womens' clothes. The womens' salopettes also have the "Drop Seat" system where the suspenders do not have to be removed. Gill creates its own materials. The OS2 range was created using a laminated material technology, which regulates the humidity and the surface has a durable water-repellent treatment (with integral thermo soldered stitching for total waterproofing). The way the material is constructed combines both hydrophobic and hydrophilic technologies which get rid of the humidity while giving the wearer 100% protection.

OS2 Men
Jacket available in sizes S – XXL in Black/Graphite, Tango/Dark Blue, Dark Blue/Blue, Red/Bright Red
Dungarees available in sizes S – XXL in Black/Graphite, Dark Blue, Red/Bright Red
OS2 Women
Jacket available in sizes 8 – 18 in Black/Graphite, White/Blue, Red/Bright Red
Dungarees available in sizes 8 – 18 in Black/Graphite
OS2 Jacket (Men/Women): € 340 / OS2 Dungarees (Men/Women): € 270
www.gillmarine.com



THE OLYMPUS TOUGH TG-6
WATERPROOF PHOTOGRAPHY!

This brand-new compact photo/video camera will be your constant companion, from the trampoline to the dinghy! Water resistant to 15 meters/50' (45m/150' with the optional cover), shock resistant up to 2 meters/6'7" and crush resistant to 100kg/220 lbs. It's a tough little thing! It's not even afraid of the cold, dust or scratches. The new TG-6 doesn't just have the renowned Olympus Tough performance (a complete system of terrain sensors and with the ability to pick up the smallest details and the brightest colors with impressive quality), but it also has a range of new functions: new underwater modes; more versatile macro photo mode and a better screen with a higher resolution. Casing color: red or black.

Price: € 499 - www.olympus.com

COLLIGO MARINE
SPINNAKERS MADE EASY!

Perfectly reliable thanks to its parts being produced in aeronautic quality aluminum which is polished and anodized for anticorrosion protection, (800 boats equipped), the Colligo Marine spinnaker furlers are also easy to maneuver thanks to their continuous control system. The splices are very well made. This material means that you can use a spinnaker without a sock, and it really widens the choice of downwind sails. The gennaker which is certainly more efficient in some situations, is no match for it downwind...

www.colligomarine.com





NEW GEAR



Arthur Beale trestle

This London-based traditional chandlery with a 400 year history has developed a neat and versatile trestle that can be used for a wide variety of purposes. These include rigging and sailmaking benches, mast storage, as a saw bench and a hop-up platform.

The PlanKform is sold in two versions.

The first is as a box with two brackets (to make one trestle), with the customer supplying their own scaffold plank and scaffold tube legs, which saves delivery cost and makes it easy to customise sizing. Alternatively it's offered as complete kit with the scaffold board plank, plus four aluminium legs with end stops.

Price: £39.95 or £69.95

■ arthurbeale.co.uk

Reeds Weather Handbook

The second edition of this useful pocket size guide offers updates in terms of the use of GRIB files, computer weather modelling and sources of forecasts, including smartphone apps.

As well as highlighting the benefits of these, author Frank Singleton also covers their drawbacks and the reasons why it's still important to also consult a forecast that has had input from a human meteorologist. Singleton was a senior forecaster with the UK Met Office and is a boat owner with more than 50,000 miles' experience. This combination of experience and knowledge means the book is both authoritative and relevant to all of us who enjoy time afloat.

Price: £9.99.

■ adlardcoles.com



Safetics checklist

In the boating world we have generally been slow to adopt checklists. Yet in other fields, notably aviation, checklists have long been an important factor in reducing accident rates.

This led Safetics creator Guillaume de Corbiac, a keen sailor and private pilot, to produce a comprehensive safety checklist for sailors. It has sold 25,000 copies in France and is now launched in an English version.

Content includes outlines of the major navigation rules, plus a range of procedures validated by sea safety experts for activities including passage planning and pre-departure checks. It's designed for use by both sailing and powerboats and is printed on waterproof, tear proof paper.

Price: £19.90.

■ safetics.com



Book corner Marsali Taylor reviews the latest nautical books

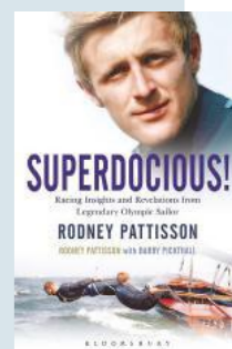
Superdocious!

by Rodney Pattison

In this enjoyable autobiography, Pattison tells the story of how he began sailing in Cadet dinghies and moved to the Olympic class Flying Dutchman. After three Olympic medals, he almost won the America's Cup, then graduated to offshore racing – including the 1979 Fastnet. The book's totally focused on his sailing, and it's only through the contributions from former crews and, particularly, his wife, Jane, that we learn much about Pattison as a person. His own narrative focuses on his intensive race preparations and the help he received from others. He also discusses the cheating at every level of sailing, and gives suggestions for how this could be countered.

A readable, instructive and inspiring account of what made Pattison a world-class sailor.

Adlard Coles, £20.



Cutty Sark: The Last of the Tea Clippers

150th Anniversary Edition by Eric Kentley

This handsome softback covers every aspect of Cutty Sark, beginning with the history of the tea trade for which she was built, and the race to London to be first with the cargo. Her design and construction are detailed, then her voyages, cargo, masters and crew during her tea-clipper days. Her years under the Portuguese flag, her return to England, her life as a training ship and finally her restoration are all described in detail, and with a wealth of illustrations. As often with specialist museum publications, I found the print small and had real difficulty with reading text printed in black on sepia, which comprised about a third of the book. Fascinating and detailed.

Adlard Coles/Royal Museums, Greenwich, £19.99.



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