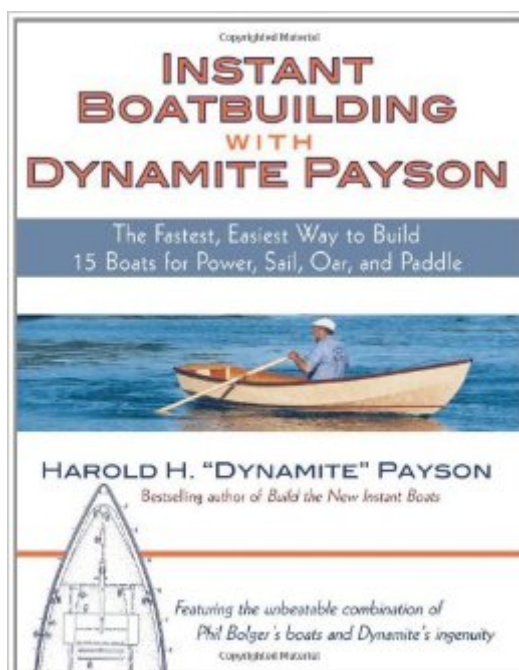


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Instant Boatbuilding With Dynamite Payson: 15 Instant Boats For Power, Sail, Oar, And Paddle



Synopsis

From the acknowledged master of the "instant boat" tips, techniques, and designs for quick-and-easy plywood boatbuilding Dynamite Payson offers you a new guide to building 15 exciting boats from master designer Phil Bolger. Instant Boatbuilding with Dynamite Payson includes plans and instructions for a multipurpose skiff for sail, oar, and power; a pirogue for single or double paddle; a big pram dinghy; a maneuverable peapod; a long, fast, rowing dory; a rugged outboard-powered work skiff; and more. You will enjoy the commonsense advice, step-by-step building instructions, and tips on tools and materials that have made Payson a hero of amateur boatbuilders worldwide.

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Customer Reviews

Although I enjoy so much woodworking, my mayor motivation to buy a boatbuilder's book was to go sailing in a budget. This is not my first try, but it is the most down to earth for a curious do-it-yourselfer. Others told me to use mahogany plywood, full epoxy and fiberglass covering to obtain a 10 footer with just \$700. I can buy a fine second hand boat for less than that! Payson says hat I can build a boat that I can be proud of with some reasonably cheap plywood and polyesther and go sailing for a reasonable \$200 or even less. And he's right! I am halfway to my boat in just 20 hours or so and can not be more satisfied. I strongly recommend this book to anyone who wants to try his skills at woodworking and go sailing in a budget. The only reason I don't give it five stars is that the plans are too small and I had to put some working to scale then properly. But the results pretty much are worth the effort.

The poor rating is for the Kindle version only. The print version is a five star book. This is a great book but the Kindle version is a disaster. The plans are scanned at such a low resolution that they are unreadable. The text (measurements, labels etc.) appears to be only one or two pixels high and is blurry. Zoom is disabled. In the print version the text is tiny but crisp and completely readable. An important value of a book like this is to let you browse the plans and dream, imagining which boat you will build first. Dynamite must be spinning in his grave to think how poorly his wonderful book was treated. Sigh...

Another great book from Harold Payson. It's down to earth and easily followed format is inspiring and makes you want to go out and build another of these wonderfully created boats. A book you must have in your library alongside the other greats.

Mr. Payson clearly shows how to build a very good selection of Bolger-designed boats for the beginning builder to the more advanced. The building methods are straightforward and the explanations very clear. The author is a very honest person who is willing to admit his past errors. That information is valuable to the builder who can avoid those mistakes and not feel badly about his own faux pas. For example, Dynamite is now using water base boat paints instead of oil paints he strongly recommended in earlier writings. Dynamite provides an excellent discussion of materials including various types of plywood. One might assume that the expensive marine plywood is the only suitable product, but that is not necessarily the case. I like plywood and the tape and glue method a lot. The last boat I built was a skin on frame. I built that boat for lightness but by the time I was done it weighted as much as the Rubens Nymph and is nowhere near as useful.

another simple boatbuilding book with tools and methods to get you up and building right away. I liked the suggestion to make cardboard and scotch tape models, before you spend for plywood and pricey glue and glass.....Max

This book has a great many illustrations and line drawings and is really not appropriate for the Kindle. You just can't read the drawings. The book has a great deal of useful information and would have been really useful if I were able to read the drawings. Another thing that bothered me was that you had to read each of the boats construction details to understand the size and use of the craft. A small picture and the size in the headings would have been helpful. Get a hard copy!

If you want to learn how to build a boat, you need this book. Also, I would suggest getting copies of Payson's earlier books too. There are different plans in the different books. And great info in all his books. And yes, I have built 3 of his boats so far.

I bought this because I thoroughly enjoyed his book "Build The New Instant Boats" from back in the 1980's. Once again, he did not fail to entertain and educate me. I build ply boats in my garage and sell them to friends at cost, making it more of a hobby than anything, and I built three of the designs from the book I mentioned above. I don't understand what the other reviewers mean when they say the measurements on the plans are too small to build from. I could see all the numbers clearly. While small, they're not microscopic. I could make them out with my reading glasses off. This book has plans for a wide variety of boats, and I can't wait to build a couple of them already. I have my eye on the 18' Clam Skiff, which would be great for crabbing here in the Pacific Northwest. I would love to build the Chebacco, but that thing is way too big to fit in my garage. This is a great book loaded with plans and information, and considering the prices of plans alone, it's a heck of a deal.

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