

PART 2 - COSTA RICA and PANAMA

12th Edition Changes from Aug. 30, 2013 to Sept. 25, 2015

- Added the Perlas Islands information which includes links to about 50 more waypoints.
- Updated SSB Nets
- Corrected weather typos and 2 links
- Updated and added info on Cocos Island
- Updated Costa Rica checkin info
- Clarified text about the bad anchor spots at Isla Medidor in Panama and added anchor waypoint for the inner bay accessed from the north.
- Added anchor waypoint to Bahia Honda
- Added Puerto Escondido, Panama's
- Added shipping density map showing Pacific Maritime Traffic density for year 2014
- Provided more instructions for Bahia Samara
- Updated Isla Cebaco
- Updated Puntarenas Info & Map
- Updated Isla del Cano requirements for visiting from Drake
- Updated Casa Orquedias

11th Edition Changes from Oct 15, 2012 to Aug. 30, 2013

- Updated SSB Nets
- Updated process for checking-in Playas del Coco, CR
- Updated info for several anchorages - Playa Panama, Playa del Coco, Samara, Bahia Ballena, Puntarenas, Quepos, Punta Quepos, Dominicalito, Bahia Drake, Puerto Jimenez, Casa Orquideas, Golfito, Isla Cebaco, Ensenada Baneo, Panama City
- Added new Montezuma Area map
- Updated Nicoya Peninsula town maps
- Updated info for Marina Pez Vela Quepos
- Updated formalities for Isla del Cano
- Updated Int'l check-out process Golfito
- Added contact info for Flamenco Marina Yard, Panama City
- Updated Statistics and political changes for Costa Rica and Panama
- Updated Panama Canal Costs.

10th Edition Changes from July 8, 2012 to Oct. 15, 2012

- Updated the following satellite imagery: Bahia Junquillal, Potrero Grande, Playas del Coco, Bahia Potrero, Bahia Ballena, Playa Curu, Points North of Puntarenas
- Corrected some typos and text formatting
- New Puerto Jimenez map - more readable
- Updated NOAA links for Panama

- Updated info for Playas del Coco Aduana and Migration procedures
- Updated Statistics and political changes for Costa Rica and Panama
- Released e-reader versions

9th Edition Changes from Feb. 27, 2012 to July 8, 2012

- Corrected some typos and text formatting
- Updated Costa Rica & Panama Entry Procedures/fees
- Modified layout extensively to accommodate (future) EPUB/MOBI formats
- New town map for Playa Hermosa
- Moved Mercielagos anchor waypoint based on recommendations for a nice sandy spot (not critical)
- Updated SSB Nets
- Updated prices for marinas and added/changed contacts
- Updated information on Puerto Chiapas & Marina
- Added scuba diving guide map for Isla del Coco in Costa Rica
- Added estuary tour info to Bahia Drake
- Added new port: Puerto Mutis, Panama
- Updated Panama Canal costs

8th Edition Changes from Dec. 5 2011 to Feb. 27, 2012

- Minor updates to reflect the domain name changes. Changed sailsarana links and email addresses to svsarana.

7th Edition Changes from Aug. 28, 2011 to Dec. 5 2011

- Bug in Adobe 8 & 9 for some embedded type 3 fonts was discovered in the 6th edition release. This is now corrected in the 7th edition.
- Updated information on Taboga Island Marina in Panama City
- Updated Quepos formalities as it is now (finally) a port of entry
- Minor typo updates.
- Fixed missing page numbers for some sections of the book.
- Fixed format problem with Panama City chart and text

6th Edition Changes from January, 5 2010 to Aug. 28, 2011

- Changed layout to single column to better support e-readers. An experimental epub format is in the works.
- Updated check-in and check-out procedures and prices for Costa Rica, Panama and Ecuador.
- Updated Panama Canal information and suggestions
- Updated Galapagos prices and links to guides.
- Updated weather information and added Solemate Santiago's weather forecasts with explanations.
- Updated text about Costa Rica and Panama

- Updated exchange rates
- Updated information on how to bond your boat as well as included new information in regards to getting a 1 to 2 year cruising permit.

5th Edition Changes from December 1, 2009 to January, 5 2010

- Updated SSB and HAM net frequencies and times
- Added a couple of pages about transiting the Panama Canal, including costs, pitfalls, and suggestions
- Added more hikes to Bahia Santa Elena and more waypoints for the hiking challenged.
- Added another approach waypoint to Bahia Santa Elena and more soundings.
- Corrected typos of Playas del Coco
- Created much more detailed Playas del Coco map
- Added more soundings for Bahia Samara and more details
- Corrected Lat Grid for Bahia Garza on chart
- Added more soundings for Tamarindo chart, moved anchor waypoint because of the expanding mooring field.
- Updated weather information for Jimenez.
- Updated Banana Bay's mooring info.
- Added the agricultural inspection to map for boats doing international check-in in Golfito
- Updated Golfito check-out procedure (the guy who wants stamps no longer works there so I removed that little bit from the procedure)
- Minor updates to Dominicalito's anchorage description.
- Updates to Playa Zapotal & Pan de Azucar
- Updates to Potrero including new town map, moved anchor spot due to encroaching moorings.
- Updated Guacaymaya and added anchorage waypoint by popular demand. Moved approach waypoint for better alignment with anchorage, also added soundings to chart.
- Updated Marina Papagayo Entrance waypoint. Changed marina drawing to better match what was actually built. Added VHF channel for marina.
- Updated Playa Mata de Cana in Bahia Culebra and moved anchor waypoint a little closer to the beach.
- Added names to geographic locations around Rincon

4th Edition Changes from June 15, 2009 to December 1, 2009

NOTE THIS IS AN INTERIM EDITION AS MORE CHANGES ARE COMING

- Added information to Casa Orquidea, anchor spot, hours, costs, etc.
- Added details about shopping at the border from Golfito and into David, Panama including bus costs and border costs.
- Added details about shopping at the duty free in Golfito
- Updated ATM details for BN in Golfito...it works in English now too.
- Updated Marina Resources Appendix
- Added Pilon surf break in the Pavones Section.
- Updated Ecuador Official Procedures

- Updated Costa Rica extended stay procedures/information
- Added info about low tide and the dinghy landing at Jimenez
- Added info about bagels in Jimenez.
- Moved page numbers to right side for people who print and bind the books
- Added more soundings to Islas Negritos passage
- Added information about Muertos anchorage, location of Bahia Luminosa (and current status).
- Updated Playa del Coco Map
- Updated potable water status in Playa del Coco
- Updated Guacamaya
- Various minor updates to Potrero, Tamarindo.
- Updated Playa Naranjo

3rd Edition Changes from January 25, 2009 to June 15, 2009

- Upgraded Adobe PDF format to improve features and reduce file size. Still compatible with the PDF 1.4 (or Adobe 5.0 or higher reader).
- Changed cover
- Updated Pet's section
- Added "Extended Stay" Information for people who want to spend more than 3 months in Costa Rica
- Added section on lightning and rainfall in Central America
- Updated Ecuador Information, prices and procedures, included links to our waypoints and photos of the Bahia de Caraquez Entrance
- Updated currencies
- Updated SSB nets
- Added 4 very detailed maps of Costa Rica and Panama, highlighting all the spots covered in the book with a quick reference table next to each map.
- Added Puerto Azul Marina, updated maps, added marina diagram
- Updated Marina Papagayo info, updated images for Bahia Culebra
- Added information about Marina Pez Vela
- Updated Isla San Lucas anchorage to explain where the wreck really is located.
- Updated Rincon and reefs in Golfo Dulce, added anchorage.
- Updated Golfito town maps and entry/exit procedures
- Updated Isla del Coco, more anchorages/weather/official formalities/general info.
- Added Detailed overview maps for Northern, Central and Southern Costa Rica with hyperlinks and page numbers
- **Fixed Rincon Waypoint was in wrong location (found better spot)**
- **Adjusted Inner Approach Waypoint in Tamarindo (can turn in a little sooner does not affect safety)**
- Updated Panama check-in prices and procedure
- Added a **HUGE** amount of information in Panama (about 20 more waypoints and additional images).
- Expanded the Panama Mileage/overview chart
- Updated Punta Mala section

2nd Edition Changes from SEPTEMBER 15, 2008 to January 25, 2009

--Added Papagayo marina information and dock layout

--Updated Anchorage list and summary

1st Edition September 15, 2008

-Initial Publication