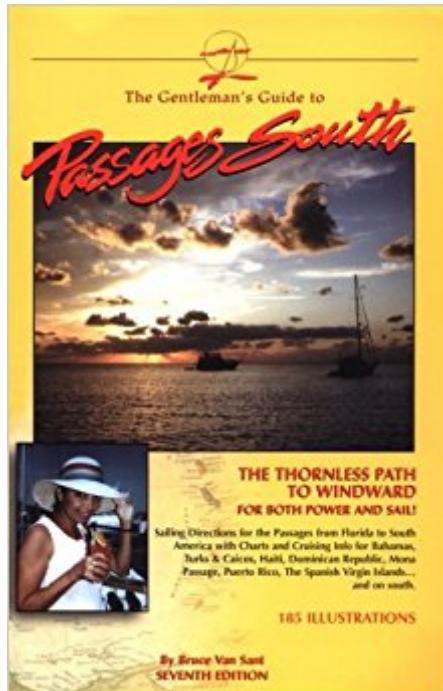


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# Gentleman's Guide To Passages South (2001)



## Synopsis

This updated guide is considered the "Bible" by many cruising yachtsmen traveling between Florida and Venezuela. Includes many sketchcharts and GPS coordinates, plus a wealth of information for the sailor who would rather take it slow and easy enroute to paradise.

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## Customer Reviews

I have just completed my old copy of Van Sant's book and will never look at cruising the same way again. My wife and I have lived on our 49 foot sailing catamaran, Millennium Dragon for the past 2 years. After reading the earlier version, I am convinced we must slow down and "wait for weather". This is not only a sailing guide to cruising south, it is a major work on adjusting your attitude regarding passages and how to reach your destination in comfort. I have just purchased the updated version to look for additional pearls of wisdom. Van Sant is opinionated and direct but very entertaining and informative. You will either love or hate the man but read the book!

Having made the trip. I wish I had read this first. Van Sandt gives a lot of solid information here. I still think 50% of the people heading that way will push too hard and not wait for the Windows he describes but if you have the time to wait, his plan should work great!

If you are planning to cruise the Bahamas and Virgins - Van Sant is as important as your GPS. Don't leave home without it. Then, USE IT. Follow his advice - to the letter. The "Gentleman Cruiser"

knows of what he speaks. He's been there-done it-and has the t-shirt (or knowledge - if you will).I have a Captain's license and have taught navagation, safe boating and Rules of the Road - and was associated with a very active USCG Aux. flotilla before adopting the crusing life. Van Sant's description of weather, air and patterns is undoubtedly the best I have ever come across. I have recommended that his narrative be used for the Auxilliary Weather classes. Boy am I glad that he did not listen to the "nay sayers" and delete that portion. If you plan to cruise - pay special attention to that section.Happy sailing and may the wind be always on ur beam.~~~\_)/~~~Capt. Carrole Ward and Noel Robbins, LCDR, USN (Ret.)aboard S/V Cassandra

It was not in "Very Good" condition, "Good" at best. Liked the book though. I guess that is what to expect from a book out of print.

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