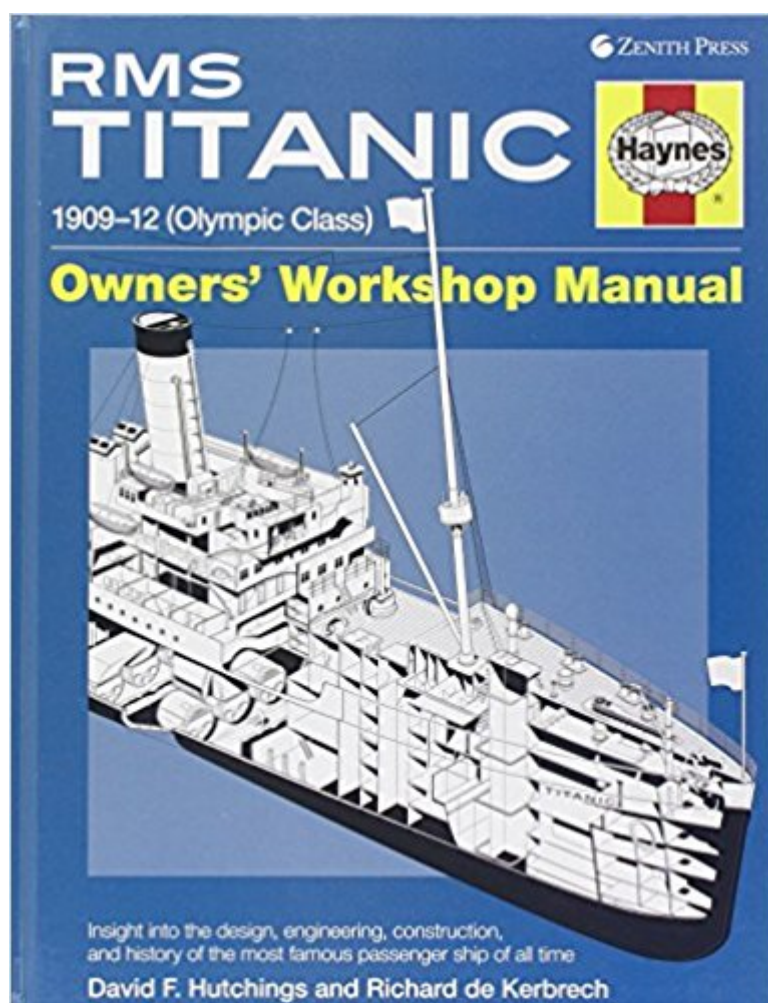


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Titanic - the second of the Olympic class liners - was not revolutionary in design, but

was remarkable for her size. She measured 882 feet 9 inches from stem to stern, her navigating bridge towered 104 feet above the keel, and she could carry more than 3,300 passengers and crew. With a gross tonnage of 46,328 tons, the Titanic sacrificed speed in favor of size and luxury, space and comfort on the North Atlantic passenger route. The Titanic's fifteen watertight bulkheads were said at the time to make the ship "practically unsinkable." But these bulkheads did not extend high enough, and this, along with insufficient lifeboats, proved to be her Achilles' heel. On her maiden voyage across the North Atlantic in 1912, the Titanic struck an iceberg and sank with heavy loss of life. With an authoritative text supported by more than two hundred illustrations, you can read how this Leviathan of the seas was built, launched, and fitted out, understand the complexities of her massive engine room, and appreciate the lavish passenger accommodation that was the talk of Edwardian Britain. You can also read about the captain's many responsibilities and discover how the chief engineer kept the mighty ship and its systems running. The Haynes' RMS Titanic Manual offers a rare and fascinating insight into the design, construction, and operation of one of the greatest passenger ships of the twentieth century.

This is a good book for someone interested in the Titanic. Not exhaustive; go to the Harland and Wolfe files for that (or something). A comment on the two-star review of this book makes a pretty strong statement that the "last picture of the Titanic" is actually of the Olympic. It isn't, as the Olympic's A-deck promenade never had the forward section enclosed as the one in the picture. It is really too fuzzy to make any strong statement about it, but I'd say it's the Titanic. One mistake that is in there, though, is the picture of the Titanic's officers. I only noticed this as I have Mark Chirnside's worthwhile book "R.M.S. Olympic" which has the same picture noted as the officers of the Olympic on her maiden voyage. Captain Smith, First Officer Murdoch, and Chief Purser McElroy are on the picture and correctly noted, as they transferred to the Titanic the following year. It wasn't hard to confirm; Henry T. Wilde had no mustache. This doesn't make me hate the book; it's just intriguing.

Great book, I have to admit I got kind of interested in what made the Titanic tick, and this book will satisfy your curiosity, I mean it has everything that you want to know about the great boat, diagrams of the boilers, engine rooms, constructions, firemen passages, you name it, its pretty bad ass, if you are a history aficionado like myself and wondered about the Titanic, this is a great little book. My only gripe is that I wish they had it on Kindle or I books so I can have it with me all the time.

The authors are qualified engineers with a great deal of experience in ship design and construction and marine machinery. Most of the text is taken up with clearly-explained and factual descriptions of the ship, her systems, and their operation. Since the publishers haven't taken the trouble to include a table of contents in their description, I have:

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There are several hundred illustrations. Some are pretty shopworn, but that's inevitable. It wasn't a time when everyone carried a high-rez camera around in his cell phone, and photographing action scenes was nearly impossible. In a good many cases well-known photos are explained better and more clearly than elsewhere. There are some things the authors don't cover that would be relevant, and a few things they don't get quite right, but not too many. Take it for what it is and it's a lot of book for the money, a lot more than you get from many others.

If you already own the massive "Titanic: The Ship Magnificent," you don't really NEED to buy this book, but it's nonetheless an effective single-volume distillation of what made the famous ship tick. Lots of very nice photographs and diagrams, semi-detailed technical explanations of the ship's machinery and arrangement, and some interesting insights into early 20th century shipbuilding. I didn't notice any serious mistakes, beyond a set of plans of the Olympic captioned as being of the Titanic. You don't need to be a steam engineer to follow this book, but a more than casual interest in

naval architecture would be helpful. I wouldn't describe this book as a particularly groundbreaking piece of Titanic research, but it's pretty enjoyable and better than I'd expect from a \$20 novelty title.

Another unusual Haynes Workshop Manual! Generally a nice insight into the incredible effort needed to keep an Edwardian Era Liner up and running. My only complaint is there are almost none of the detailed cutaway artwork drawings that I found in my other Haynes Manuals, such as the "Starship U.S.S. Enterprise", the "Millennium Falcon", and the "Klingon Bird Of prey" manuals.

As someone who has always been fascinated with the ship (not so much her end, with the tragic loss of life), this was an incredible look into the design and inner workings of the ship. Amusing that it comes from the same company that produced the repair manuals I've favored for my cars over the years. There is a huge amount of detail, probably nearly enough to maintain and repair an Olympic class vessel. If you had access to the resources required. The graphics were excellent. The tips made it feel very real, even if there are longer any of the three vessels that would need it. All in all, a very innovative way to see the ship from a different perspective than it's normally presented

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