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3 of 3 people found the following review helpful. The way it should be done By Edward Wright Haile If the Smeetons, husband and wife, have a philosophy, as small boat blue-water cruisers, it is "We'll take care of ourselves, thank you." So, no radios, life jackets, epirbs, or even an accessible life raft. The mood is relaxed, the seamanship is absolutely superb, and the writing is among the best ever. The balance of narrative, characterization, and fresh description shows the hand of a master. The mood is upbeat, events are taken in stride, told in fine British understatement. Miles and Beryl never seem to get bogged down in the details and the headaches of planning a mammoth voyage. Cape Horn east to west? It's all in a sailor's day's work, even with a few humorous asides. Miles wants us to be able to feel what it's like off Cape Horn, but as a sailor, not a tourist or a thrill seeker, least of all a foolhardy stunt. Less about the ordeal and more about close calls, stupid foulups, navigational challenges, and ingredients of decision making. It is the best of arm chair books that lets you follow carefully all his tacks and sail changes because he supplies the details. Cape Horn is the climax, but every chapter is a fascinating study of people and places, and always the sea.