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Sailing Home



Synopsis

"My name is Eli Pruparrow, and I'm sailing down the Chesapeake Bay with my friend, Micha Kovnik. In case you don't know, the Chesapeake Bay is one of the biggest bays in the world, and lies smack between Virginia and Maryland. It's full of small fishing villages, islands, and big rivers like the Potomac, James, and Rappahannock. It's really beautiful, but a sailor in the bay has to be careful, there are lots of hazards here and storms come up quick. I might as well tell you how we got here, since it's pretty hard to believe how we ended up in a small boat in the middle of the Chesapeake. We're escapees from one of the worst foster homes ever. I can say this because I'm kind of an expert on foster homes. I've been in a dozen so far."

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Customer Reviews

Although I'm past middle age, I loved reading this entertaining book about two boys' sailing adventures on the Chesapeake Bay. At one time in my life, I also sailed to many of the places mentioned in the story. The author's descriptions of weather and water conditions, little towns and islands along the Bay, and stressful incidents or perfect sailing experiences allowed me to relive those glorious, eventful days. This book reminds me of the adventure books for children, "Swallows and s." I hope this wonderful story will also become one of many books in a new series by Tom Basham.

This is a fun little novel about a boy sailing on his own and the adventures he has while doing so.

Reminds me of a modern day Huck Finn or Tom Sawyer. It has a wonderfully surprise ending with an inspirational message. I loved it and will definitely pass it along to my grandchildren's school library. Susan

I loved reading this book so much that I had to share it with everyone I know. I gave it to my 12 year old son to read as a homeschool assignment, and he couldn't put the book down (highly unusual for him, he is just starting to read for pleasure). He was able to identify with the main character, and visualize what it would be like to go sailing down the Chesapeake Bay. He really enjoyed reading it, and I loved that it was a good clean wholesome story with a wonderful ending. It's so nice to have a current, well written fictional book for young readers that isn't full of vampires, wizards, and werewolves.

This is a book I will definitely bring with me while sailing. I grew up sailing the Chesapeake Bay and was amazed how accurate the author was with the geography of everything, for example the shoals south of Smith Island. I will definitely be reading this great story to my 11 month old daughter to help get her into sailing.

One of the best stories I've read. My husband said he wanted to just keep reading each night to our children to see what would happen next. Very thought-provoking and historically rich (learned a lot about the Chesapeake Bay), and it had a truly wonderful ending. Great storytelling.

Our new favorite adventure book!! We've loved reading it before bedtime. The characters are so endearing, and the adventure keeps the kids interested and excited for the next page. I'd highly recommend this book for any kids between 5-17.

We love this book!!!

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