## Mary Jacquelyn Watt

## **Author Bio**





Born 1948 as an identical twin "army brat," Mary Jacquelyn Watt spent most of her life in the Seattle, Washington area. She married her husband Robert (Captain Bob) Watt in 1968 in Hawaii on his R&R from army duty in Viet Nam. In 1978 Bob & Mary purchased waterfront property in the San Juan Islands, on Stuart Island. This became their base of operations for camping, fishing and diving. Hobbies have included professional belly dancing, scuba diving, fishing, solar design, ceramics, stained glass, ukulele and guitar playing, antique restoration and, auto restoration (including a 1964 Ford Mustang Convertible restored with her husband). Sailing is a recent accomplishment starting with the purchase of the Shadowfax in 2004. Her 2006 trip through The Inside Passage is recorded in her first book.

## Book Recap

Journal Entries of a Trepid Sailor is a foray into the world of Pacific Northwest sailing by a former bookkeeper. This is a journal of a sailor new to the experience of sailing but knowledgeable enough to respect the dangers. Journal Entries reveals the journey as an opportunity to study the land, islands and some of the waterways the Pacific Northwest Indians had plied for centuries until supplanted by later settlers.

## **Interview Questions:**

- 1. Why did you and your husband decide to sail over 2,000 miles?
- 2. Did your sister's involvement in sailing influence your decision?
- 3. How to you prepare for such a trip?
- 4. When did this take place and what are the most vivid memories you have of the trip?
- 5. I understand you did research during your trip, tell us about that.
- 6. How did you come to be on the helm?
- 7. Where did the vessel's name, Shadowfax, come from?
- 8. Did you have any near disasters or accidents?
- 9. Do you have a crew, other than you and your husband?
- 10. Have you hung up your lifejacket or do you plan any future voyages?
- 11. Do you have any more books planned?

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