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This book has become a great reference for planning proper repairs on my vintage catboat and for understanding how it's built. Howard Chapelle became an American treasure in his careers as a marine architect and historian and a curator of the Smithsonian. This book provides his unique compilation of early 20th century wooden boat building guidelines and techniques.

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