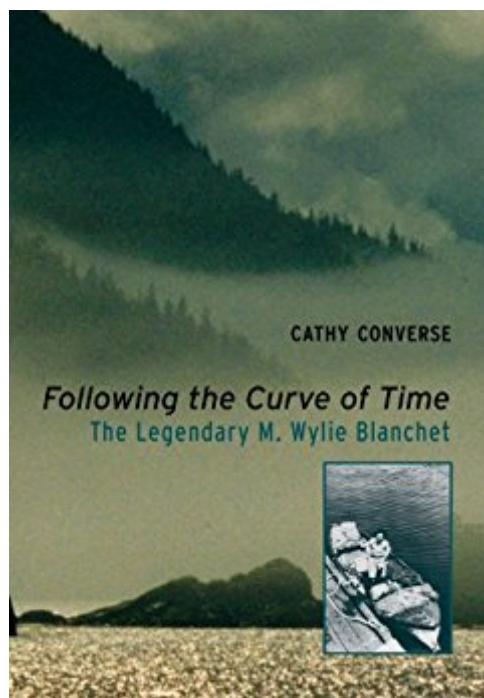


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Following The Curve Of Time: The Legendary M. Wylie Blanchet



Synopsis

Who was this skipper, this mother, this writer? These questions motivated Cathy Converse to re-trace the route of famous pacific seafarer M. Wylie Capi Blanchet, and write a biography in the process. Widowed in 1926, Blanchet cruised the coast with her five children and their dog in a 25-foot boat that had been rescued from the seafloor. The Curve of Time, Blanchet's resulting book, remains a bestseller and a classic in the annals of nautical literature, but little is known about the rest of her life. Converse offers insiders' recollections of this enigmatic woman, along with updated information about the villages, inlets and islands described in Curve, making Following the Curve of Time essential reading for anyone who has ever been captivated by the West Coast or Capi herself.

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Customer Reviews

"The Curve of Time" written by M. Wylie Blanchet is one of my favorite books so I am very pleased that Cathy Converse has written a terrific biography about "Capi" Blanchet--captain of the Caprice, adventurer, mother and unique individual. "Following the Curve of Time" is well written and researched by an author who has also explored by boat the inside passage waterways of British

Columbia. Having done some boating myself around the Gulf Islands and Desolation Sound I am very impressed that Capi and her children overcame the challenges of having spent the whole summer cruising aboard a 25 foot motor boat with 1 adult, 5 children and a dog. It is a testament to the beauty of the B.C. coastal waters and the spirit of Capi and her children that they returned to go cruising every summer for 12 years. Capi's love and memory for those summers resulted in the classic "The Curve of Time". Cathy Converse's book is a wonderful biography of Capi Blanchet and I think would be enjoyed by anyone who appreciates the beauty of the B.C. coastal waters. I enjoyed the pictures (some taken by Capi herself) and the First Nations information. There is also navigational information that boater's will enjoy including the extreme tide and currents in some areas that require precise navigation. Capi had to contend with these as do boaters in the area today. Thanks to "Following the Curve of Time" there is now a biography about the author of "The Curve of Time". Now if only a movie could be made. Katharine Hepburn would have made a wonderful onscreen Capi. Gosh, how about Cate Blanchett in the starring role. Blanchett playing the role of Blanchet! That's a movie I would like to see.

Fills in the gaps about what could have happened to her husband. It was also nice to read about what the kids have accomplished. It got a bit tedious with all the genealogy and who was related to who. Worth a read if you read the Curve of Time.

After reading the Curve of Time several times, I always wondered about Capi and her family. This book starts out on the mainland with her parents and ends describing her life and the kids well after Capi's book ends.

Wasn't as good as I thought it would be. Really enjoy "The Curve of Time". I have read this book quite often over the years.

Such a wonderful book. Savoring one chapter at a time.

An enjoyable read a little bit long describing the different coastal villages

Good depth on the book

A special mark in time for the history of coastal British Columbia.

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