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Peter Strykers was alone with his boat, harpsichord, and thoughts for nearly a month. He describes how the ocean remains a challenging, humbling force. He also gives medical advice for the solo sailor

From Library JournalSailing, a harpsichord, and medicineall in one package. Strykers, a medical doctor, sailor, and musician, has managed to pull it all together in one fascinating book. For sailors there is the account of the author's

participation in the Single-handed Transpacific Sailing Race, as well as very useful information on what medicines to take and how to treat illnesses and accidents when sailing alone. Musicians can learn how to tune a harpsichord in the middle of the Pacific Ocean, and doctors will find data on the effects of wind, salt, and sea water on skin and on dealing with miscellaneous problems at sea. For general readers a good adventure story makes entertaining reading. Strykers's idea of how to sail single-handed is very different from many, e.g., Webb Chiles. An interesting study in contrasts. Recommended. Susan Ebershoff-Coles, Indianapolis-Marion Cty. P.L. Copyright 1987 Reed Business Information, Inc.