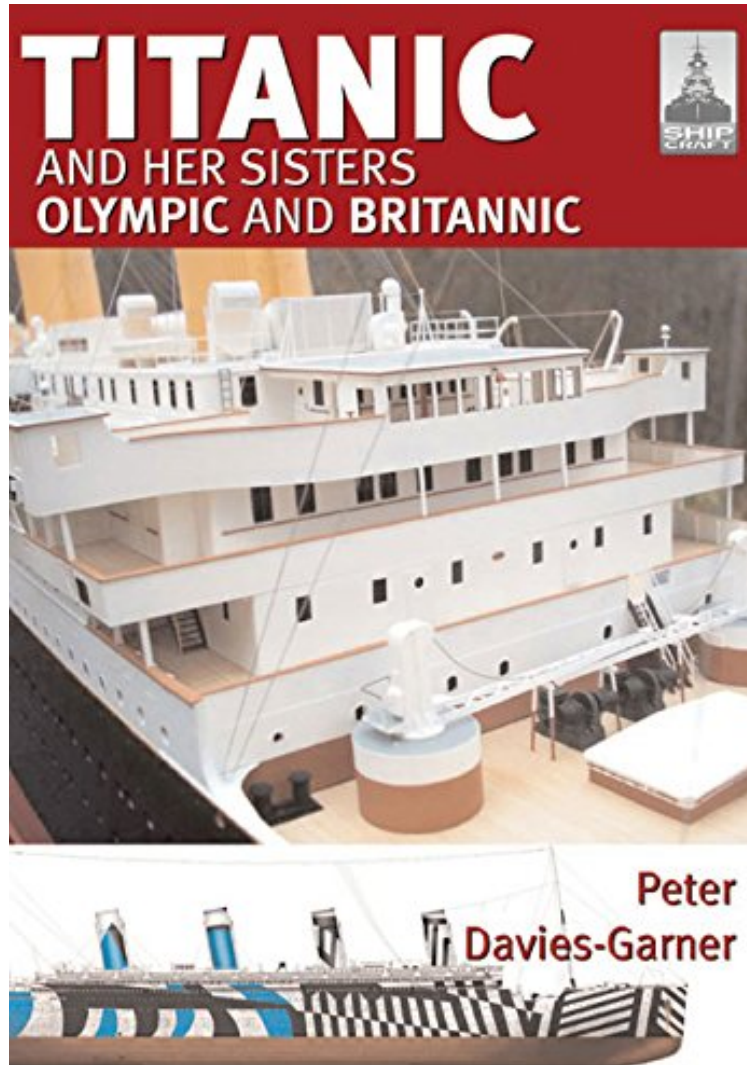


## Shipcraft 18 - Titanic and her Sisters Olympic and Britannic

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2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. A Great Handbook For Serious Ship ModelersBy Robert I. Hedges"'Titanic' and Her Sisters 'Olympic' and 'Britannic'" by Peter Davies-Garner is a wonderful reference for serious ship modelers or for historians of the class. I am fairly knowledgeable about this class of ships, but Davies-Garner turns up detail I previously had no knowledge of (e.g. the arrangement of benches on deck of the three sisters, the two foot addition to the beam of "Britannic," etc.) The information about the myriad of lifeboat and davit arrangements

(which were modified extensively after the "Titanic" disaster) is greatly helpful to understanding the configurations of the ships at different times in their lives. Likewise the level of detail concerning changes made to the ships throughout their careers (especially important in the case of the long-lived "Olympic") is excellent. The book begins by discussing the history of the ships, and putting it in context of the then-current maritime world. There are numerous excellent photos of all three sisters, and frequent comparisons and contrasts between them. The book then discusses the pros and cons of each kit available of the ship at the time of publishing, and gives information on converting "Titanic" into one of her sisters (there are more differences than you might at first think.) There are also excellent line drawings of the three ships from different perspectives, and in a very welcome development, substantial discussion of the dazzle camouflage schemes worn by "Olympic" during World War One. Aftermarket details (brass railings, etc.) are also discussed, as are sources for additional reference. If you are interested in building an accurate scale model of "Olympic," "Titanic," or "Britannic," this book is a must. Even if you aren't interested in the modeling aspects involved, this is still a great handbook of details of the three great ships.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Great book. By S. Heil My son is a Titanic geek. He is 13 and is completely fascinated with ships. He loves the detail in this book.

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent resource material for modelers By Charles R. Smith, Jr. Titanic and her Sisters Olympic and Britannic in a concise visual reference book for modelers, or for that matter, anyone interested in the Olympic class liners. Peter Davies-Garner had brought together information on many of the currently available model kits of Titanic including after-market detailing sets and other resources for making fine scale replicas of these historic vessels. The photographs and color views of the sister ships are top notch. Photographs of completed models in various scales will be greatly appreciated by the serious Titanic fan. This book is rather brief by design. For those wishing more detailed information I would recommend RMS Titanic: A Modelmakers Manual by the same author.

The ShipCraft series provides in-depth information about building and modifying model kits of famous warship types. Lavishly illustrated, each book takes the modeler through a brief history of the subject class, highlighting differences between sister-ships and changes in their appearance over their careers. This includes paint schemes and camouflage, featuring color profiles and highly-detailed line drawings and scale plans. The modeling section reviews the strengths and weaknesses of available kits, lists commercial accessory sets for super-detailing of the ships, and provides hints on modifying and improving the basic kit. This is followed by an extensive photographic gallery of selected high-quality models in a variety of scales, and the book concludes with a section on research references books, monographs, large-scale plans and relevant websites. This is the first volume in the series not devoted to a naval vessel, but the most famous liner of all time is a suitable subject as one of the most popular of all ship modeling subjects. Apart from Titanic herself, this volume also covers her sister ships Olympic and Britannic which enjoyed longer and more varied careers, including wartime service as troopship and hospital ship.