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Aged nine, Okke Grapow conned a launch in debris-strewn Kiel harbour in war-ravaged Germany. Time aboard his father's fishing boat after the family had moved to South West Africa (now Namibia) intensified his sea fever, and two years of intense maritime training at *General Botha* in Gordon's Bay embarked him firmly on a sea-going career in which he moved through the ranks to command. With waypoints in marine diamond recovery operations and whaling, his was an unusual voyage to an executive role in planning the construction and operation of large salvage tugs, anti-pollution vessels, ore carriers and other vessels. Paramount was his experience and leadership in the local and international salvage sector. But this is also a love story that surrounds Okke's late wife Gudrun – his anchor in life. The book reveals cameos from the very different life of Captain Okke Grapow.

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