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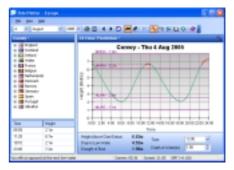
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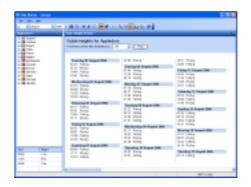
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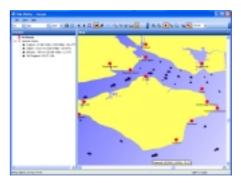
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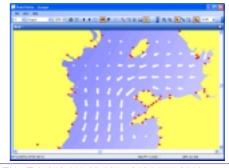






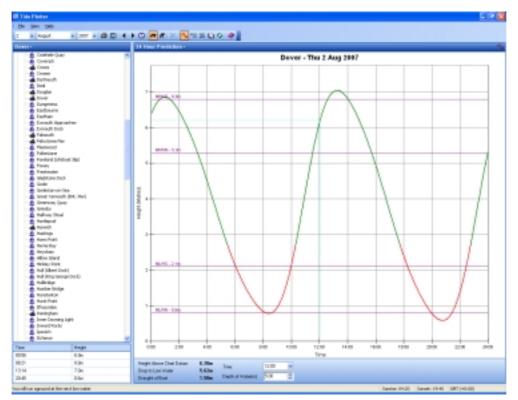






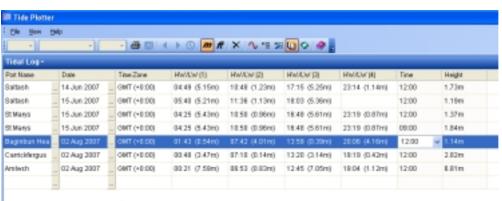
An Overview

This User Guide takes you throughthe many features of Tide Plotter. A quick guide of the main features are shown below.



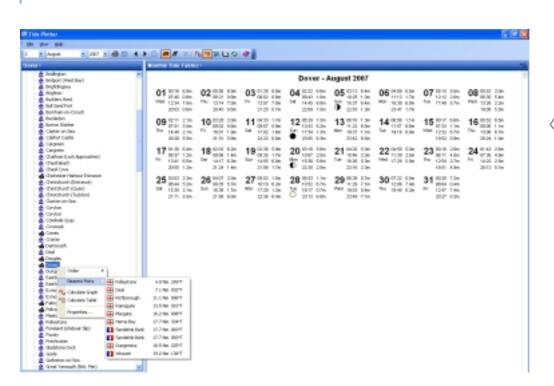
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Tide graph. This screen gives the height at any time during a 24 hr period. With the depth of water specified It will also calculate either how much water will be under the boat at LW, or, if you are likely to take the ground the time of grounding and floating off.



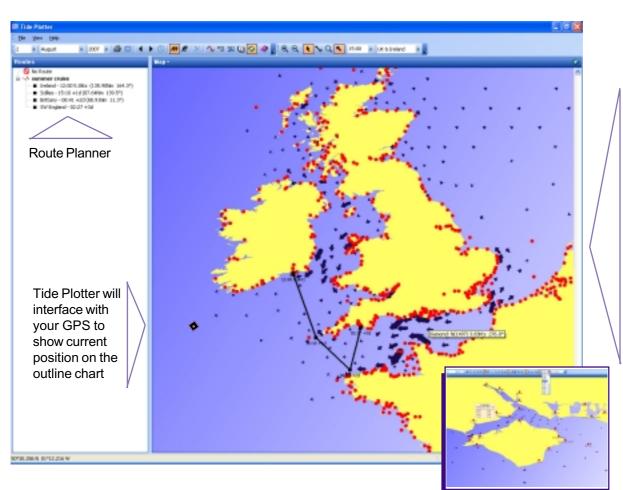
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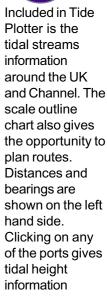
Build up your own log of tide details for the places and days of your choice. Ideal for planning a trip

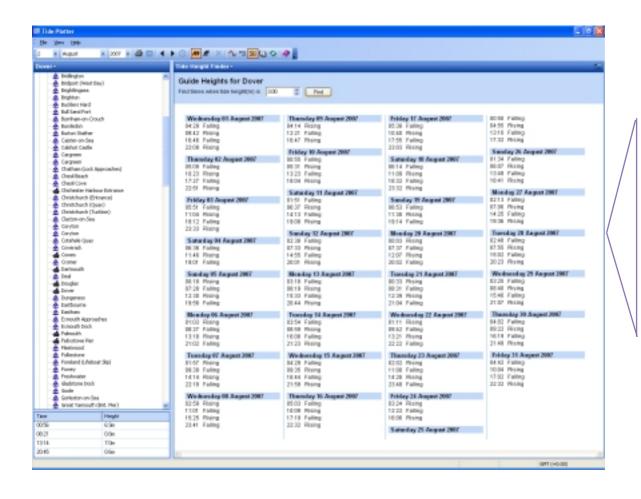


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Monthly tide tables in a similar format to those shown in an Almanac







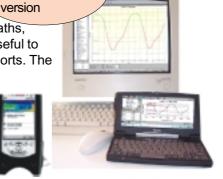
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Tide Height finder enables you to enter a tide height for any port. Tide Plotter will then produce a table of times when the tide will be at that height, indicating whether the tide is rising or falling.

About Tide Plotter

Tide Plotter was written by Peter and Keith Belfield. The combination of interest in Maths, Computer Science and Sailing led to the production of this utility which will be very useful to anyone with access to a PC who uses the tidal areas of UK, Ireland or the Channel Ports. The data is for one or three years, this keeps the cost down and enables annual

upgrades to be made which will ensure updated harmonic data, and a product that keeps up to date with the rapidly changing domain of electronics. Tide Plotter has been written by sailors for sailors. We welcome your comments and suggestions to further develop this product. All data used in this product has been used with permission from the United Kingdom Hydrographic Office and the Controller of Her Majesty's Stationery Office.



PC. Pocket PC

and Mobile

where tidal streams have been included the data has been derived from data sets supplied by the Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory

Versions

There are eight different versions available on the CD. Your access will be limited to the version you have purchased, they are:

UK, Ireland and Channel Ports from Holland to Brest.	1 year	3 year
UK, Ireland and European Ports from N. Norway to Gibraltar	1 year	3 year
East Coast of America, Gulf of Mexico and the Caribbean	1 year	3 year
Australia	1 year	3 year

Installation

Insert the CD: There is an autorun facility, if your computer does not support this then Click on 'Start' and then 'Run'

Type: <u>D:\setup</u> and press 'enter' - Please note this assumes drive D: is the correct drive letter for your CD, it can sometimes vary from one PC to another.

The first screen gives the following 9 options:

- Tide Plotter for Windows select this for installation on a PC
- Tide Plotter for Pocket PC select for Windows Mobile 3 or later
- Tide Plotter for Windows Smartphone
- · Working with Tides. This is a book explaining the theory of tides with practical examples. Note this requires Adobe Acrobat Reader, PDF format
- Photo Gallery photos and images of a range of water related activities. High resolution files uncompressed on the CD. Suitable for good quality prints or web sites, or just to view. The photos come complete with a picture viewer.
- Logbook a logbook wihich can be printed out. Note this requires Adobe Acrobat Reader, PDF format
- User guide note this requires Adobe Acrobat Reader, if this is not installed on you computer the the latest version is contained on the CD and it will automatically ask if you wish to install it.

Please note, Gale Force 8 does not appear on the menu but is contained on the CD - a dice strategy game with a nautical leaning. Great fun! Based on an ancient Chinese game. This can be accessed from the Gale 8 directory on the CD

Upgrading

To upgrade to the tidal streams version a purchase is necessary, available on the internet at: www.tideplotter.co.uk/streams-ug.htm. To unlock your existing copy of Tide Plotter to the new version: select the Help menu Unlock new editions

Enter the details and code

Systems requirements:

PC - 12Mb of RAM - Mouse or other pointing device- 486 DX 66mhz (Pentium 75 recommended) - VGA graphics (SVGA recommended)



Printing

When away form the computer Tide Plotter has useful printing features which enables 'hard copy' to be produced in different formats.

Ensure paper size is set to match your printer.

To print a 24 hr graph:

Display the graph you want to print on the screen

Select from the menu 'file' and then 'print'

Choose your printer option for 'landscape' or 'portrait' format.

There is an option to print in black and white only from the $\underline{\textit{view - option}}$ menu, this speeds up printing and saves resources

To print a monthly table:

Display the monthly table on the screen

Select from the menu 'file' and then 'print'

Set printer to <u>'landscape'</u> or <u>'portrait'</u> format. To produce your own printed tide tables, repeat the above process for each month.

You can also print by copying and pasting data into your wordprocessor. This is a very quick and efficient method to reproduce data. This can be achieved by right clicking on either the graph or table and selecting *copy*

Setting the default values

You can change the default values of Tide Plotter. Once they are changed they are saved each time you exit and reinstated when you load the programme the next time. For example if you have being using Holyhead then this port will be reinstated when you reload, the only exception is the date, Tide Plotter will use the current date when the programme is loaded.

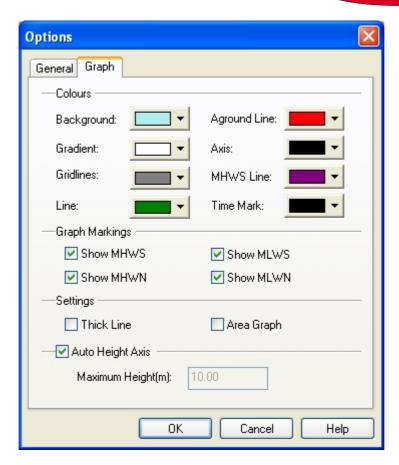
To alter:

time zones select <u>'view - time zone</u> draught of the boat select <u>view - options</u>

alter the colour of the graph show mean levels select <u>view - 'options'</u> and <u>'graph'</u> select <u>view - 'options'</u> and <u>'graph'</u> graph thick or thin line select <u>'view' - 'options'</u> and <u>'graph'</u> area graph select <u>'view' - 'options'</u> and <u>'graph'</u>

print in black and white select <u>'view'</u> - <u>'options'</u>

Menu - View options



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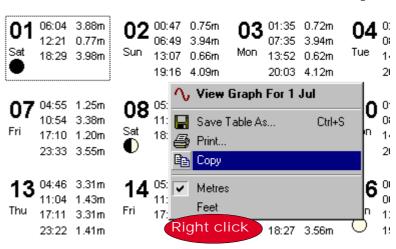
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Exporting data

The data produced by Tide Plotter can be exported and used in other programmes. This is particular useful if you are producing documents, newsletters, charts etc., using another wordprocessor, DTP package or spreadsheet etc.

There are five foramts that data can be exported to:

- JPEG
- EMF (enhanced meta file)
- Text
- HTML
- CSV (for spreadsheets)



To export the graph:

Produce the graph on screen that you require
Select 'file' and 'save graph as'
You can choose between JPEG *.jpg and enhanced metafile *.emf, formats
Select the directory to save the file in
Enter the size of graph required
Enter a filename
Press 'enter'

The graph can also be copied to the clipboard and pasted into other programmes by:

Right clicking on the graph

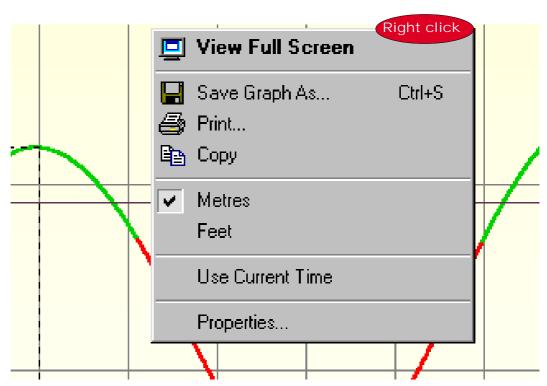
Selecting *copy*

To export from the monthly times and heights data:

display the monthly data on the screen Select <u>'file'</u> and <u>'save table</u> as'

You can choose between HTML or text formats Select the directory to save the file in

You can also copy the table data to the clipboard to paste into other programs right click the mouse



TIP
Use the
right mouse
click to access
on screen
menus

Export to a spreadsheet

Tide Plotter can export data for any port within the prrgram, for any specified duration within the period of the program, at intervals of 5, 10, 30 minutes, hourly or at the periods of high and low water. This data is produced in CSV (comma separated variable). This format can be loaded directly into a spreadsheet such as Excel or imported into a database.

From the File menu at the top of the screen a drop down list will appear with the option Export data. When selected you will be asked for a file name and directory location. The dialogue box shown to the right will appear enabling selection of file name and directory location. Click on Save and the dialogue box shown below right will appear.

If you wish to change the port go back to the Tide Plotter graph screen and select a different port. Note the times that the data is exported in is determined by the time zone that you have selected in Tide Plotter. To change the time zone go back to the main screen and select the menu View, Time zone.

There are limitations as to the amount of data you can use. This is determined by the spreadsheet you are using, not by Tide Plotter. For example if you exported data for three years at 5 minute intervals then your spreadsheet would need to be able to display 315,360 lines of data. The current professional editon of Excel can display up to 65,536 lines of data.

The data is then stored in a CSV file. To enter the data into a spreadsheet. Open that file from within, for example, Excel.

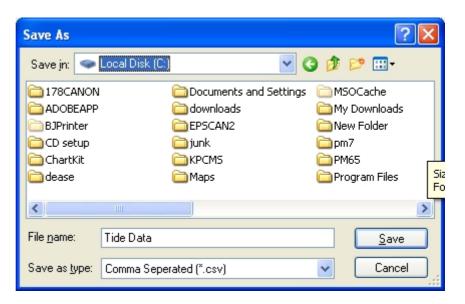
The data is then displayed within the spreadsheet as shown in the example on the right.

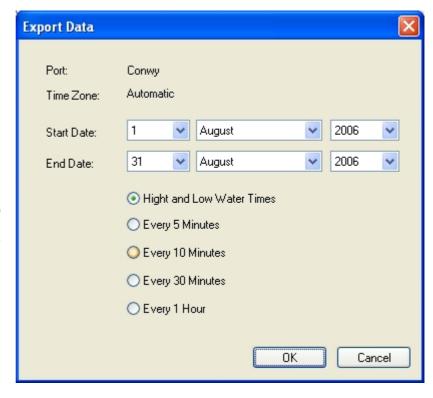
The data is in two columns:

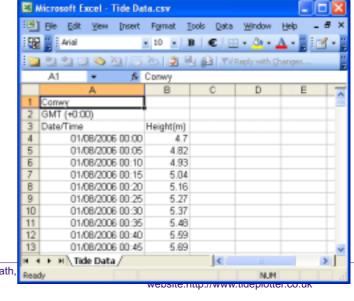
- date and time
- height

The limitations on how this data is manipulated is then governed by the capabilities of the spreadsheet, (and your own ability).

See the next page for some examples.



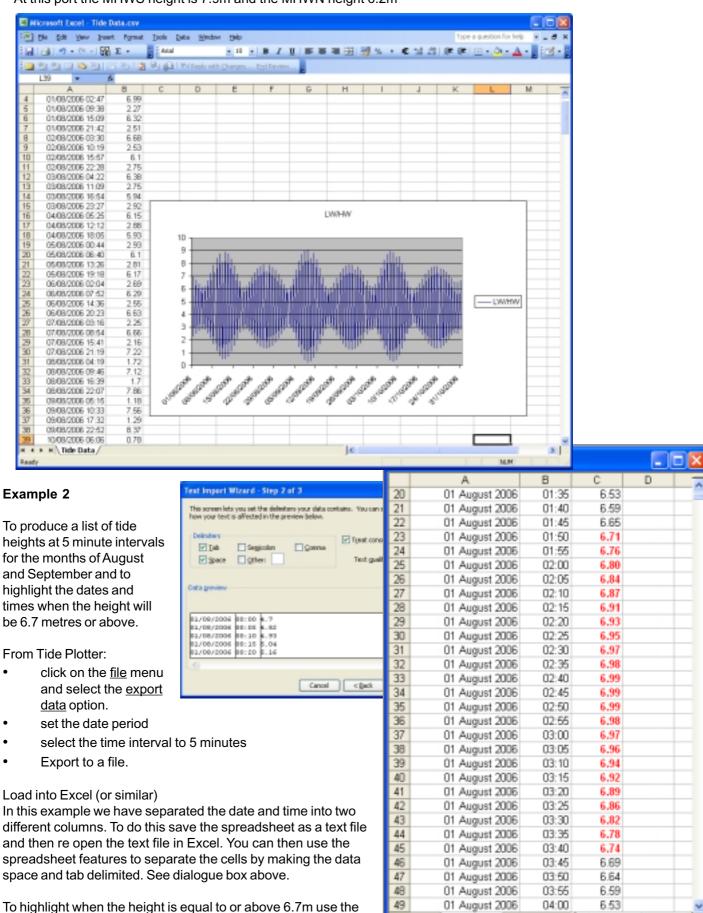




Example 1, uses the chart facility within Excel to graphically represent High and Low water patterns over a six month period. It gives an at a glance view of when the large Spring and smaller Neap tides occur. Hovering the mouse over any part of the graph brings up a small box indicationg the precise date of that tide.

At this port the MHWS height is 7.9m and the MHWN height 6.2m

format menu and conditional formatting feature.



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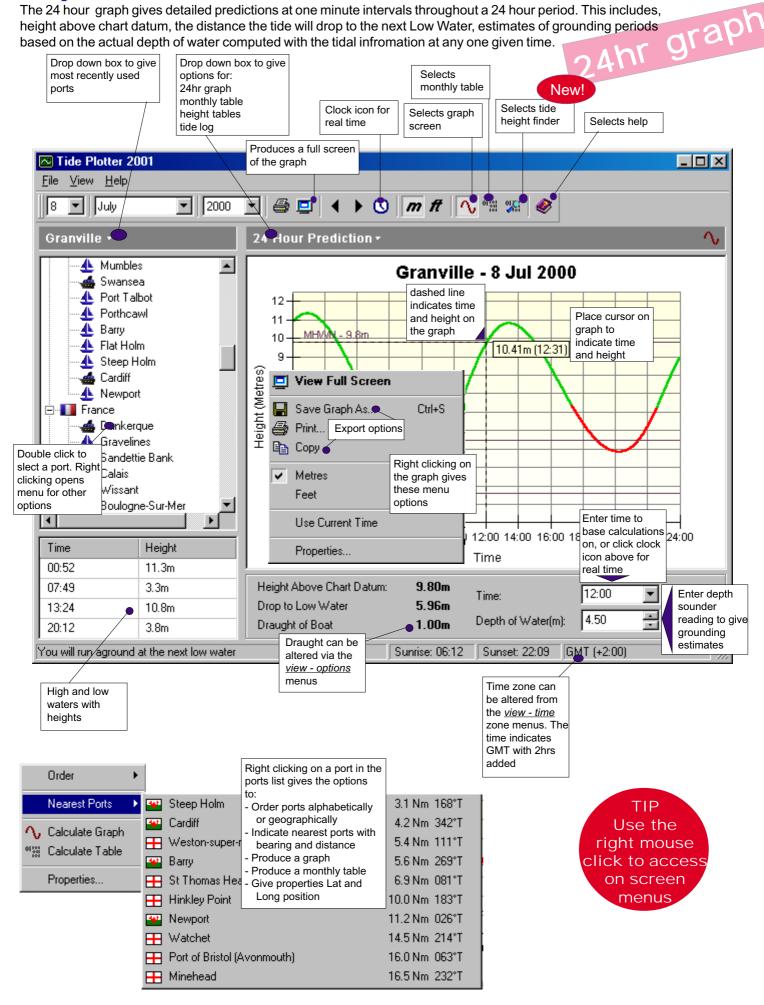
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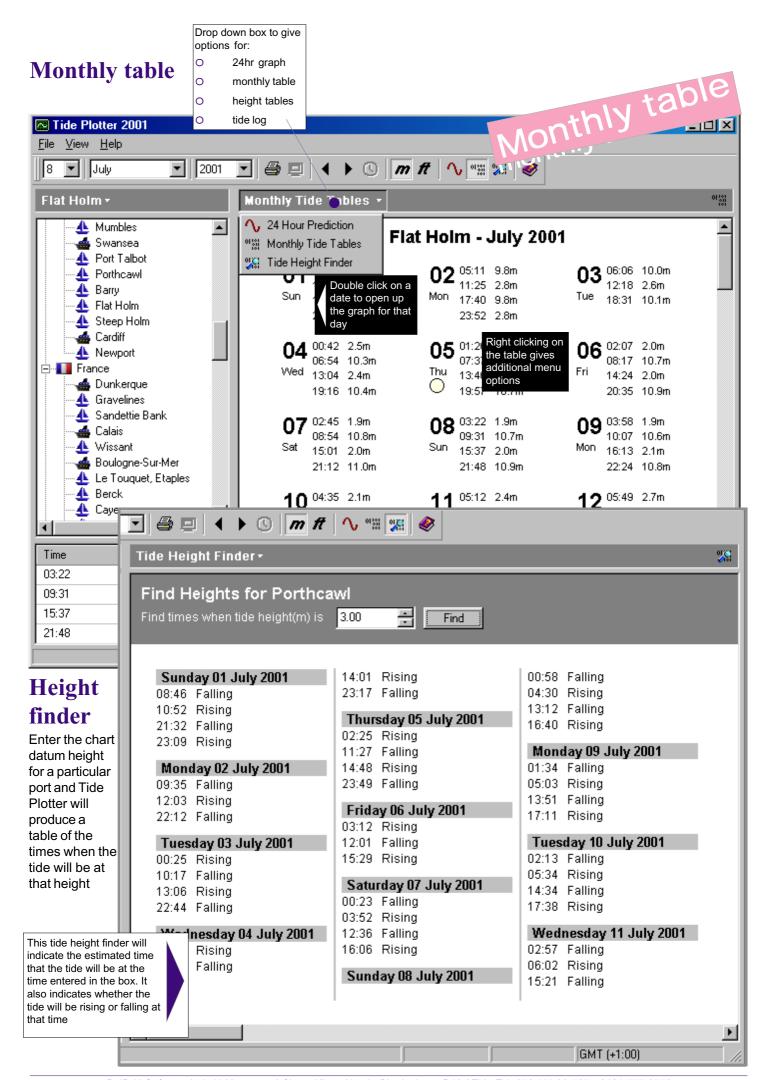
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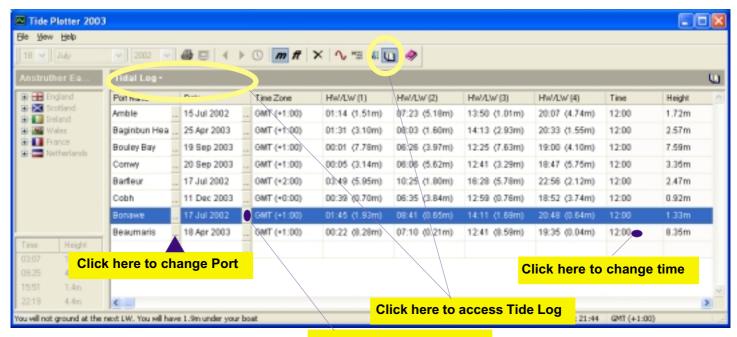
Graph





Tide Log

This facility allows you to build up a log of ports on one screen, or, alternatively you can print them out onto one page



Click here to change Date

To delet a line, right click on the line and select delete

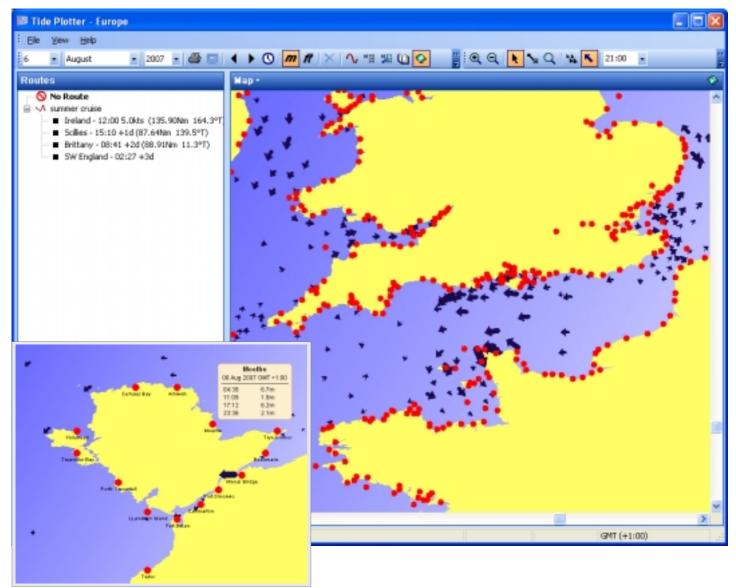
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Conwy		30 Jul 2001		GMT (+1:00)	02:01 (2.65m)	07:50 (6.47m)	14:41 (2.50m)	20:28 (6.33m)
Eastbourne		10 Jul 2001		GMT (+1:00)	02:48 (6.21m)	09:06 (1.34m)	15:10 (6.23m)	21:28 (1.57m)
Eastbourne		09 Jul 2001		GMT (+1:00)	02:11 (6.35m)	08:29 (1.20m)	14:33 (6.38m)	20:50 (1.42m)
Appledore		30 Jul 2001		GMT (+1:00)	02:41 (5.57m)	09:19 (1.84m)	15:19 (5.56m)	21:55 (1.89m)
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		Metres Feet Right click to go to graph						
	Tide Log enables you to:							

- select Port
- date
- read four tide peaks and troughs with times and heights
- select a time
- read the height above chart datum
- list as many Ports as you wish
- print out the log

When the program is closed, the log is automatically saved and will appear on your screen the next time you load Tide Plotter

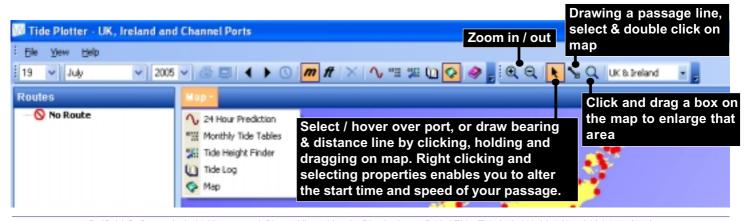
Map feature

The map feature in Tide Plotter gives an overview of all the ports for which there is tidal height data. There is additional information relating to tidal streams diamonds. The direction and rate of flow is given, interpolated for the selected time and the relative tide state between springs and neaps

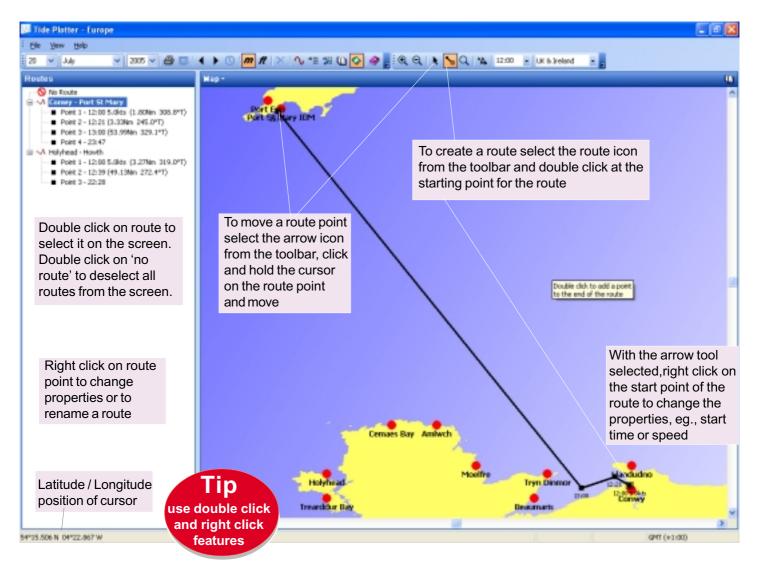


Hovering the cursor over any one of the red dots representing a port will produce a popup box with the highs and lows times and heights. Double clicking on the red dot will take you to the 24 hour graph for that port.

As you zoom in on any area of the map the red dots will have the port name superimposed on the map.. The map is a scale map and the latitude / longitude position of the cursor is indicated at the bottom left of the screen.



Route plotting

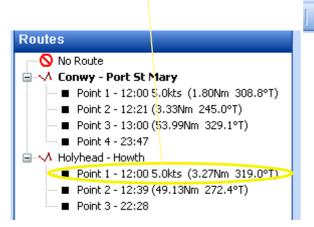


The map feature on Tide Plotter can also be used for plotting: bearings, distances, speed and time of travel. Tide Plotter does not take account of tidal streams unless the tidal stream add on has been purchased.

To plot a route:

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- Select the route plotting icon on the toolbar
- Double click on the map to indicate the start point
- Double click on the next route point (and then any successive route points you wish to plot

Note that the route information uses the notation of displaying information FROM Eg., the route information next to point 1 is from point 1 to point 2



Select the pointer icon on the toolbar

- On the left hand side of the screen the route details will be displayed
- To name the route: right click on the route title and <u>rename</u>
- To clear the route from the screen double click on <u>No route</u>
- To select a route double click on the route title, which will then be highlighted in bold text
- To change the start time or speed, double click on point 1 and select properties
- To move a route point on the screen, click and hold on the route point and then move to a new location
- To delete a route point, right click on the point and *delete*

GPS interface

Tide Plotter has the facility to display GPS readings on the outline map. To operate this feature you will require the following:

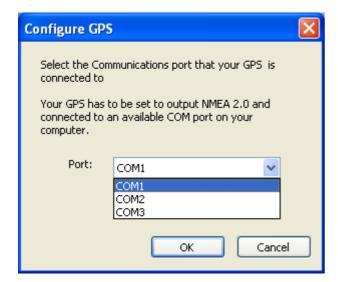
- the appropriate GPS drivers installed on your computer
- data received from the GPS on NMEA version 2 or later

To enable Tide Plotter to track your position, first you need to configure the GPS, to do this:

- select the view menu at the top left of the screen
- select <u>Configure GPS</u> see diagram below



Select the communication port that your GPS is connected to from the dialogue box see diagram below

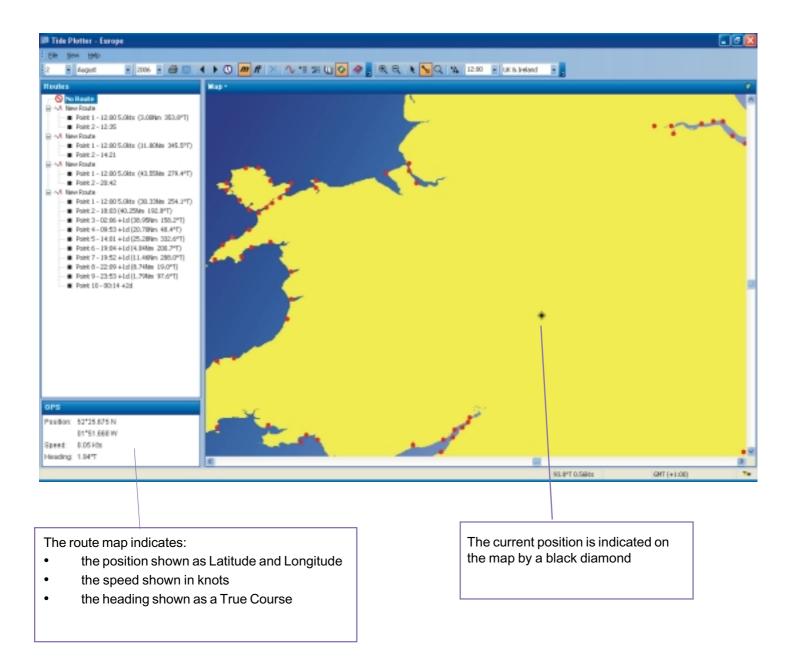


Finally click again on <u>view</u>, <u>GPS</u> and <u>Track Position</u>. You should not have to configure your GPS each time you load Tide Plotter. Please note that the serial port can only receive NMEA data and send it to one application. If you have software running from a NMEA signal then it will have to be shut down before opening another application

A black diamond will appear on the screen indicating your current position on the map.

An additional box will appear at the bottom left of the screen underneath the the route details

see opposite

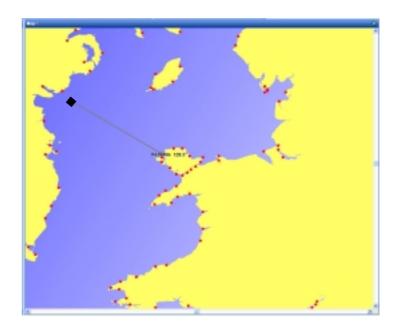




Use the pointer tool

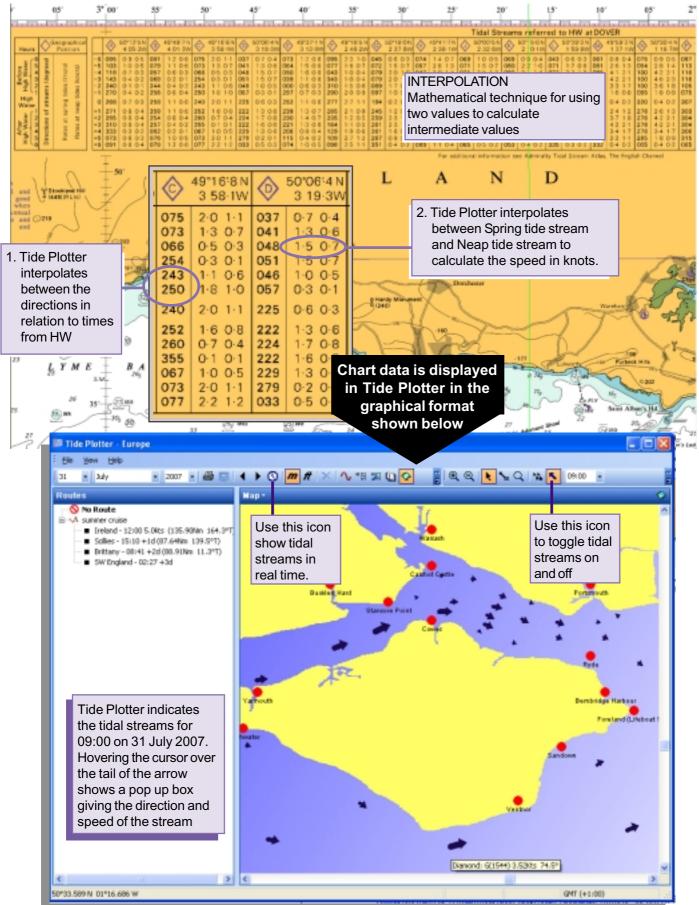
With the GPS tracking the position it is possible to draw a line from that position point to any other position on the map to give:

- distance in nautical miles
- true bearing to that point



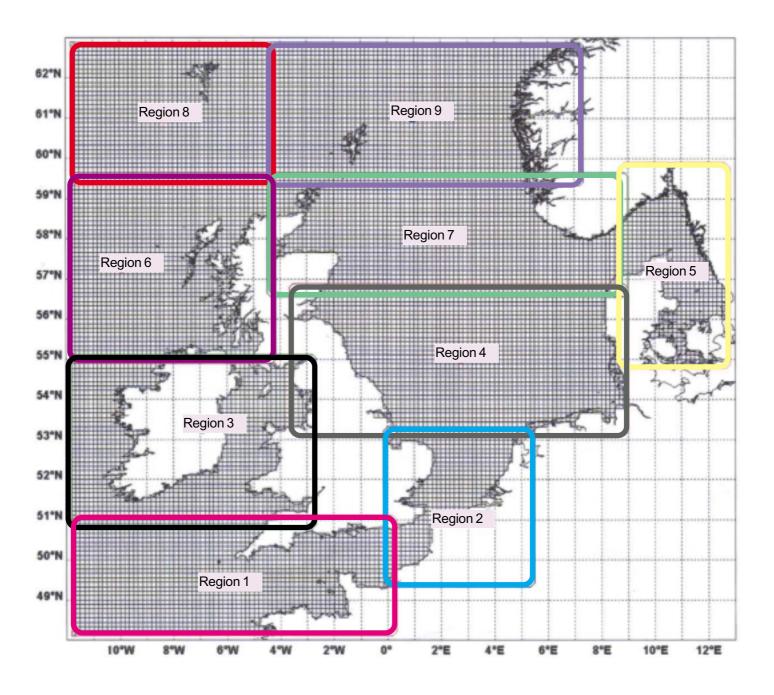
Tidal Stream information included in the standard package

Tidal stream data is included in the standard package. The data is represented by tidal stream arrows on the outline chart. The time can be set to your choice using the drop down time box at the top of the screen, or, alternatively the arrows will update themselves with the real time by clicking on the clock icon at the top of the screen.



Tidal stream regions (can be pruchased as an add on to the standard package).

There are additional add ons to Tide Plotter to give tidal streams and route planning facilities that take into account the horizontal tidal stream set and work out the tidal vectors. This tidal stream add on gives far more detailed information than the tidal stream diamond information included in the standard package. The following map indicates the nine regions for tidal stream data. You can purchase one or more regions from one to any combination up to nine.



Tidal streams

The tidal streams component of Tide Plotter is an additional add on, if you have purchased the basic program it is possible to upgrade, either via the web site, www.tideplotter.co.uk, or by telephoning 0121 777 6756.

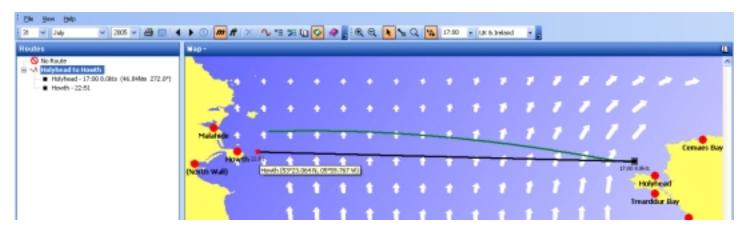
The tidal stream data is provided in nine areas for continental Europe. The upgrade cost is for one area, additional areas can be purchased from one individual area up to any combination of all nine.

The tidal stream data is provided under licence from Proudman Oceanographic Laboratories. The streams give detailed information which will be extremely useful for passage making and route planning. The streams do not contain data relating to the immediate coastline close inshore.

The tidal stream map is accessed by clicking on the map icon on the toolbar. The scale of the map can be enlarged or reduced using the zoom tools.

In addition to giving a graphical representation of the tidal streams, tide plotter will also display the tidal drift for a route of your own determined direction and speed of travel. This feature can be used to plan your course taking into account the effect od the tide during the period of your passage. The course detail is given in degrees true with the speed in knots. The course over the ground caused by tidal drift is shown as a green line.

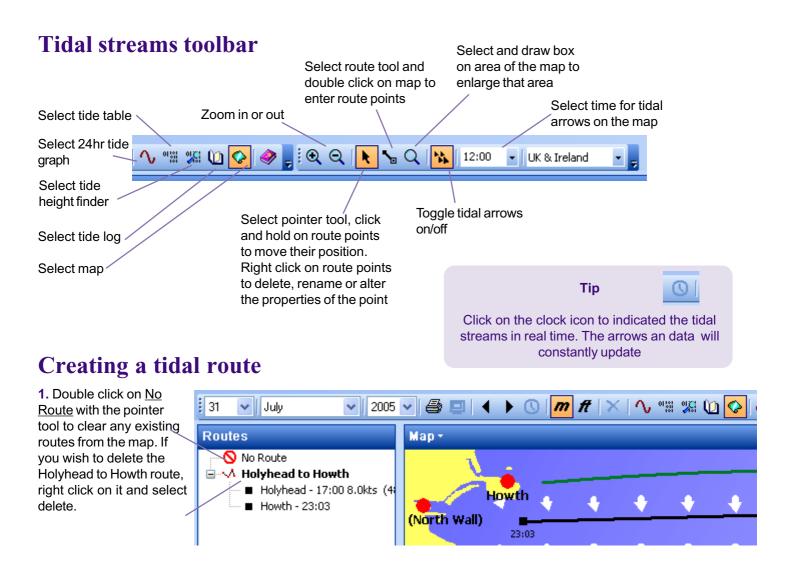
The example below shows a route from Holyhead to Howth. The green line shows the tidal set and if you were to maintain your original course of 272 degrees T, you would end up north of Howth. On the left side of the screen the route detail is displayed. Please note that the information alongside the route point Holyhead is from Holyhead to Howth. The information beside the route point is: time, speed, distance, true bearing.



If on this route you select the pointer tool and move the route point Howth, by clicking holding and moving it downwards until the end of the green tidal line finishes at Howth, this will now give an indication of the route needed to take into account the tidal set. Note the route information on the left of the screen has now changed giving a new course of: 268 degrees T. The distance has also increased from 46.84Nm to 48.69Nm and the time from 22.51 to 23:05. This click and drag method is an externely quick way to predict and plan various options when passage planning. The vectors for the tidal set are worked out at two minute intervals, such calculations, without a computer would be totally impracticable. Bear in mind that Tide Plotter can be used to adjust course for tidal set but you will need to apply leeway, vanation and deviation.



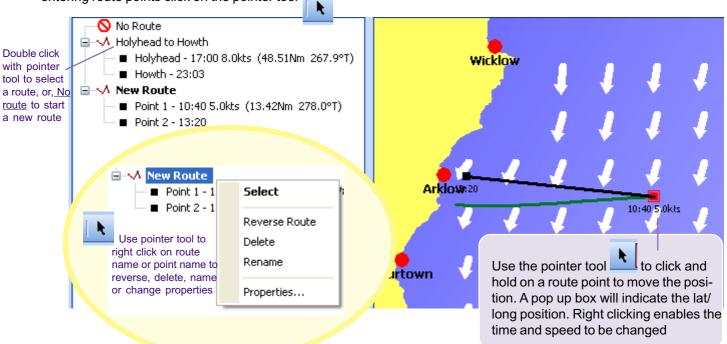




2. Your position is 52° 45'N / 05° 43.5'W and you require a course allowing for tidal set to Arklow.

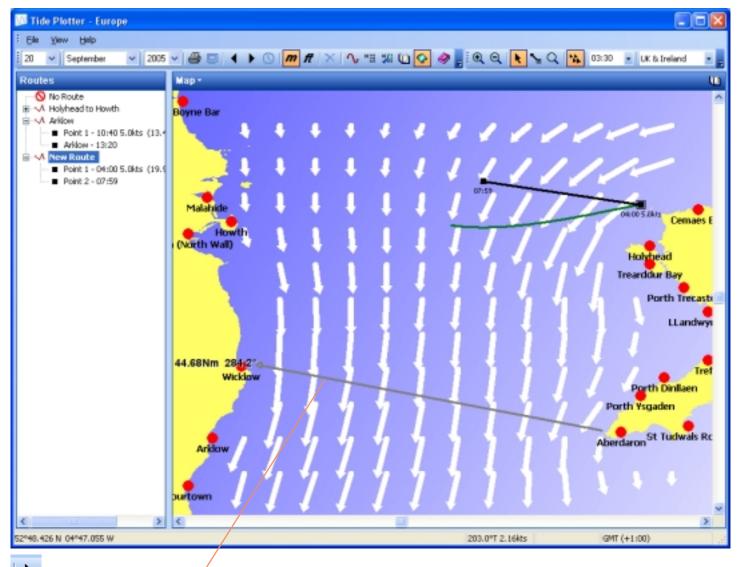
Click the route tool click on the map at your approximate position, (note it can be adjusted later).

Double click at the destination point (Arklow). A black line joins the points and a green line indicates the path of heading and tidal drift. You can enter as many points as you require, you are not limited to one. To end the process of entering route points click on the pointer tool



Tidal streams - an overview

The tidal stream screen provides a range of information including tidal heights and times, tidal stream direction and speed, route planning to take account of tidal set, latitude and longitude positions, print facilities for passage details.



Use the pointer tool to click, hold and drag on the map to produce a line giving the length in nautical miles and the bearing from the start to finish of the line

Latitude and longtitude position of the cursor displayed at the bottom right hand side of the screen

Direction and speed of tidal stream at the position of the cursor displayed middle right hand side of the screen.

Bottom left side of the screen displays the time zone

Route information displayed left hand side of the screen



Use the route tool to double click on screen to draw route legs.

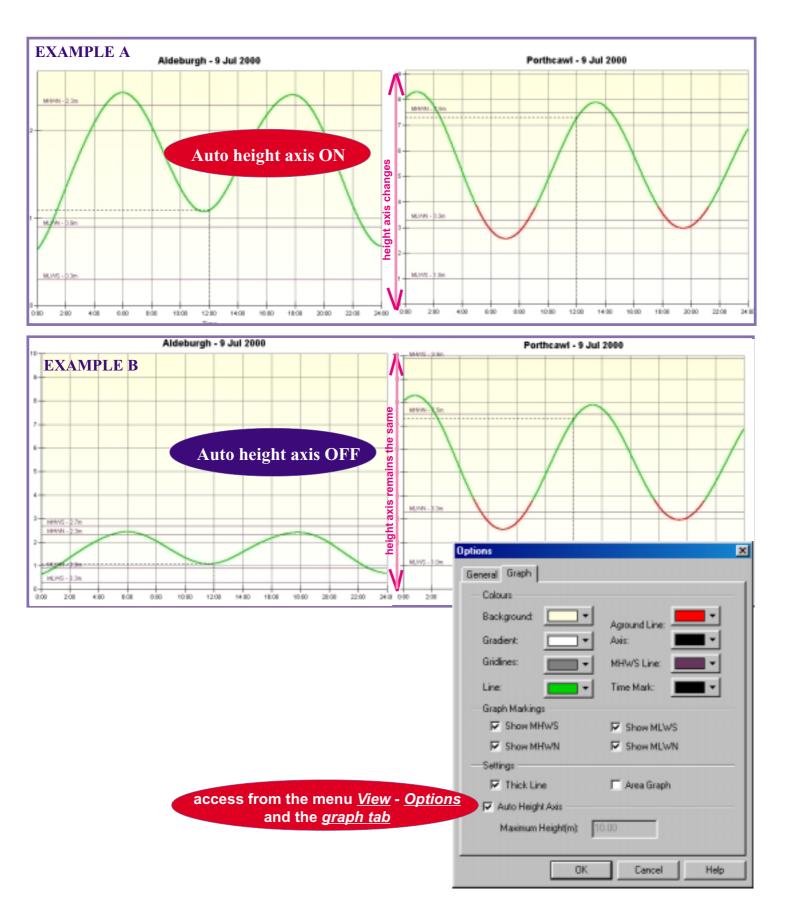
Tips

Using the right click on the mouse and double click can assist you navigating your way around the tidal stream map

Auto height axis

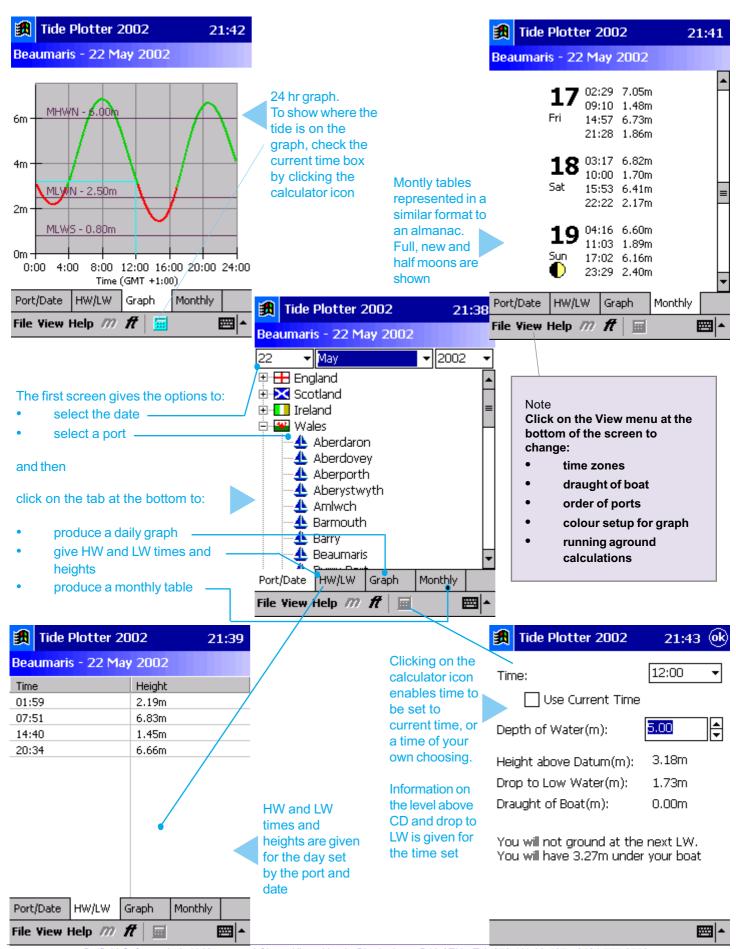
This feature can be accessed from the menu <u>View</u> - <u>Options</u> and the <u>graph tab</u>

With the auto height feature on the graph is scaled to fit the space, thus giving more detail. If you require the height axix scale to remain the same for all graphs inorder to make a visual comparison of the size of tides between different ports then switch this feature off.



Tide Plotter - Windows Pocket PC version

To install the Pockert PC version: insert the CD into your PC, ensure that the PC is linked to your pocket PC. Select the Pocket PC version. Tide Plotter will then install directly onto the Pocket PC via your PC.



490 + UK Irish & Channel Ports

Aber Benoit Aberdaron Aberdeen Aberdovey Aberporth Aberystwyth Adrossan Aldeburah Allington Lock Amble Amlwch Anse de Primel Anstruther Easter Antifer (Le Havre) Antwerp **Applecross** Appledore Arbroath Ardglass Ardnave Point Arklow Arromanches Baginbun Head Ballycastle Bay **Baltimore** Bantry

Barmouth Barrow (Ramsden Lock) Barry Bath Bawdsey Bay of Quendale Beachley (Aust) Beaumaris Bee Ness Belfast Bembridge Berck Berkelev **Berwick** Binic

Barfleur

Blacksod Quay Blacktoft Blyth **Bognor Regis** Bonawe Boscastle **Boston** Boudewijnsluis

Bouley Bay Boulogne-Sur-Mer Bournemouth Bradwell Waterside **Bramble Creek** Braye

Brest Bridlington Bridport (West Bay) Brightlingsea Brighton Broadford Bay Broadhaven **Brodick Bay**

Brouwerschavensche

Gat Bruichladdich **Buckie**

Bur Wick Burghead Burnham-on-Crouch Burntisland Burra Voe (Yell Sound) Burry Port Rursledon **Burton Stather** Burtonport Cadzand (Wielingen Sluis) Caernarfon Caister-on-Sea

Calais Calshot Castle Campbeltown Cancale Cardiff Cargreen Carloway Carradale Carrickfergus Carrigaholt Carsaig Bay Carteret

Castle Bay Castletown Bearhaven Castletownshend

Cayeux

Cemaes Bay

Chatham (Lock Appoaches) Cheekpoint Cherbourg Chesil Beach Chesil Cove Chichester Harbour **Entrance**

Christchurch (Entrance) Christchurch (Tuckton) Christchurch Quay Clacton-on-Sea

Cobh Conwy Corpach Coryton Cotehele Quay Coulport

Courseulles-sur-Mer Courtown Coverack Cowes Craighouse Craignure Criccieth Cromarty Cromer Cushendun Dahouet Dartmouth Deal

Dielette Dieppe Dives Dornie Bridge Douglas Dover Drummore Dublin (North Wall) Dungeness Dunkerque Dunmore East Dury Voe East Loch Tarbert (Fyne) East Loch Tarbet Fastbourne Eastham Erauv Etretat Europlatform Exmouth Approaches **Exmouth Dock** Fair Isle Falmouth Fanad Head Faslane Fecamp Felixstowe Pier

Fidra Fishquard Flat Holm Fleetwood Folkestone Foreland (Lifeboat Slip) Fort Belan

Foula Fowev Fraserburgh Freshwater Galway Gills Bay Girvan Gladstone Dock Glasgow

Glengarrisdale Bay Goole

Gorleston-on-Sea Gott Bay

Goury Grangemouth Granville

Gravelines Great Yarmouth (Brit. Pier)

Greenock Greenway Quay Grimbsby Halfway Shoal Hansweert Hartlepool Harwich Hastings Haws Point Helmsdale Herne Bay Hestan Islet Heysham Hilbre Island

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Holyhead Honfleur Howth Hull (Albert Dock) Hull (King George Dock) Hullbridge Humber Bridge Hunstanton **Hurst Point**

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Leith

Lerwick

Les Ecrehou

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Les Heaux de Brehat

Leverburgh Lezardrieux Little Haven Littlehampton (Norfolk Wharf) Liverpool (Alfred Dock) Porlock Bay Lizard Point Llandudno LLandwyn Island Loch a' Bhraige Loch Beag Loch Bervie Loch Boisdale Loch Carnan Loch Hourn Loch Laxford Loch Inver Loch Melfort Loch Ranza Loch Shell Loch Snizort (Uig Bay) Lochgoilhead Locquirec London Bridge Londonderry Loth Lowestoft Lundy Lyme Regis Lymington Machrihanish Malahide Mallaig Margate Martins Haven Maseline Pier McDermott Base

Portbail

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Porth Ysgaden

Porthcawl

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Quoile Barrier Rade de la Capelle

Ramsev Ramsey Sound Ramsgate Rapness Redbridge Richborough Ringaskiddy River Boyne Bar River Foyle

River Tees Entrance River Tyne N Shields

River Yealm Entrance Roa Island

Roberts Cove

Rochester (Strood Pier)

Rockall Rona

Roompot Buiten Roscoff Rosneath Rosslare Harbour

Rosyth Rothesay Bay Rotterdam Royersluis Rubha A' Mhail Rubha Bodach

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S.E. Long Sand Salcombe

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St Catherine Bay

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St. Kilda St. Marys

St. Vaast-la-Hougue St. Valery-en-Caux Stackpole Quay Stansore Point Starcross

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Ullapool Ventnor Vlissingen Wadebridge Walton-on-the-Naze Warrenpoint Warsash Watchet Wellhouse Rock Wells West Loch Tarbert West Mersea

West Stones Westkapelle Weston-super-mare Wexford Harbour Whitaker Beacon Whitby White House Whitehaven Whitehills Wick

Wicklow Winterton-on-Sea Wissant Workington Wouldham Yarmouth Yelland Marsh Youghal Zeebrugge

There is also an **East Coast America**

and Australian version

Additional ports on the European version

Berlevag

Honningsvag Hammerfest Tromso Harstad Evenskjer Andenes Risoyhamn Kabelvag Lodingen Narvik Bodo Finneid Mo I rana Sandnessjoen Mosjoen Bronnoysund Rorvik Trondheim Heimsjo

Kristiansund Aalesund Malov Kjolsdal Floro Bergen Leirvik Haugesund Utsira

Stavanger Tregde Arendal Nevlunghavn Helgeroa Horten Oscarsborg Oslo Kobenhavn Hombaek Korsor

Gedser Slipshavn Fredericia Arthus Fredrikshavn Skagen Hirtshals Hantsholm Thyboron

Torsminde

Hvide Sande Esbjerg Havneby (Romo) Husum Helgoland

Busum Cuxhaven Brunsbuttel Hamburg Bremerhaven Bremen

Wilmhelmshaven Norderney (Riffgat) Borkum (Fischerbalje) Boudewijnsluis

Roversluis Cadzand (Wielingen Sluis)

Camaret Morgat Douarnenez Ile de Seine Audierne Le Guilvinec Loctudy Benodet Concarneau lle de Penfret Port Louis Lorient Port Tudy Port Haliguen Le Palais

La Trinite Port Navalo Aurav Arradon Vannes Le Logeo lle de Hoedic Penerf Le Croisic

Le Pouliquen Le Grand Charpentier

Pornichet St Nazaire Donges Le Pellerin Nantes (Chantenay)

Pomic L'Herbaudiere Fromentine Port Joinville

St Gilles-Croix-de-Vie Les Sables d' Olonne

St Martin La Pallice La Rochelle lle d' Aix Le Chapus La Cayenne Pointe de Gatseau

Rovan

Pointe de Grave Richard Lamena Pauillac Bordeaux Cap Ferret Arachon (Eyrac)

Boucau Socoa **Pasajes** Portugalete (Bilboa)

Santander Gijon Aviles

El Ferrol del Caudillo La Coruna

Marin Viao Viana do Castelo Porto de Leixoes

Villagarcia

Rio Douro Entrance Oporto (Porto) Barra de Aveiro

Figueira da Foz

Peniche Cascais Paco de Arcos Lisbon Alcochete Vila Franca de Xira

Sesimbra Setubal Porto de Sines Lagos

Cabo de Santa Maria Vila Real de Santo Antonio

Avamonte Ria de Huelva Bar Rio Guadalquivir Bar

Bonanza Corta de los Jeronimos

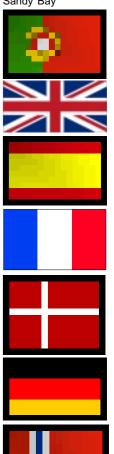
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Puerto de Santa Maria

Puerto Cadiz La Carraca Cabo Trafalgar Barbate Punta Camarinal Tarifa

Punta Carnero Algeciras Gibraltar

Sandy Bay





Tide plotter uses different time zones:

GMT(+3:00) GMT(+2:00) Continental summer GMT(+1:00) **British Summer Time GMT British Winter**

GMT(-1:00) GMT(-2:00) GMT(-3:00)

Automatic Gives the tide times in real time

Note GMT(+2:00) will add 2 hours to GMT. Example:

08:00 GMT = 10:00 GMT(+2:00).

This time zone will give the real time in France during the Summer months.

This enables you to choose between UK winter time (GMT), UK summer time (BST) and continental daylight saving time (BST with one hour added). All displays on the graph and in the monthly tables can be shown in real time whenever, or wherever you are.

Tide Plotter 2000 <u>File View H</u>elp ✓ Metres

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Options...

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Toolbar

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GMT (+3:00)

GMT (+2:00)

GMT (+1:00)

GMT (+0:00)

GMT (-1:00)

GMT (-2:00)

GMT (-3:00) Automatic

Automatic will adjust to real time depending on the Port and the date. If you set Tide Plotter to automatically set the time zone, then it will use real local time and make all necessary adjustments

To set the time zone:

click on the menu View select time zone and check the desired time zone. the necessary time and date adjustments.

Useful tips and hints

When Tide Plotter is loaded a box appears giving useful (and useless) tips and hints. If you do not want this to appear each time then it can be switched off by marking the check box. It can also be accessed from the 'help' menu.

Re-sizeble screen

The size of the screen can be enlarged or reduced by clicking on the corner and dragging in or out. VGA is the lowest resolution possible.

Upgrades

Tide Plotter is produced annually. Each year the previous year's data is included as well as the current year. The new version is available each year in September in time for the Southampton Boat Show.

Tide Plotter can be purchased directly from the Internet: www.belfieldsoftware.co.uk

To purchase a copy by post please contact:

Belfield Software

11 Knutswood Close, Kings Heath Birmingham, B13 0EN

Tel: 078 111 99 567, or, 0121 777 6756

Fax: 0870 705 9180

Evaluation copies of tide Plotter are available on the Internet. Data download and update can be accessed by this method. Go to:

http://www.tideplotter.co.uk

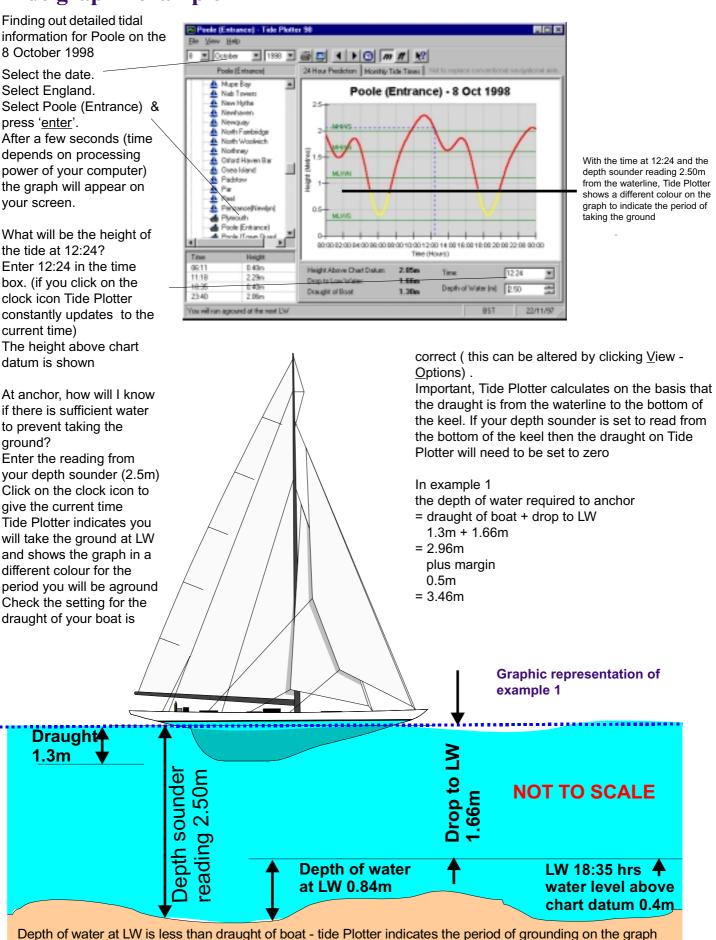
Email for further information on: enquiries@belfieldsoftware.co.uk

Your comments and suggestions for developing further editions would be welcome.



Some practical applications for Tide Plotter

Tide graph - example 1



Monthly tables - example 2

Spending a fortnight sailing and fishing at Holyhead during August. Need details of tides to plan activities.





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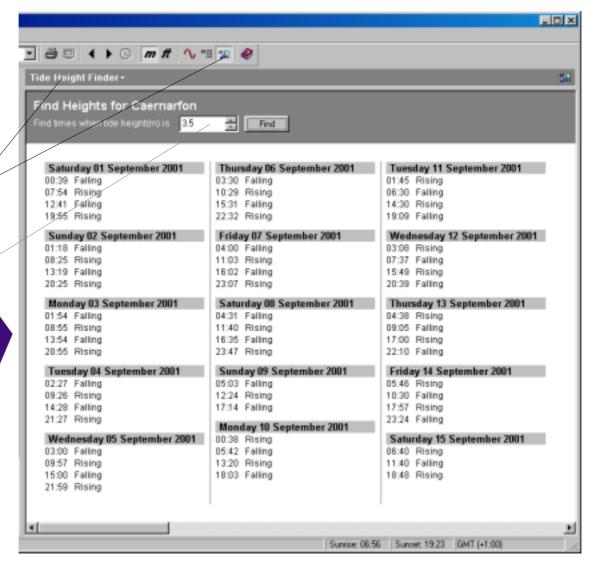
I need to know at what time I can enter the dock at Caernarfon. The lock is only open when the water level is 3.5m or above (CD)

Click on to Height Finder.

Enter height above chart datum

Table is calculated giving estimated times when the tide will reach 3.5 m above chart datum. At that height Tide Plotter indicates if the tide is rising or falling.

This data can also be exported into text or HTML format for use in other applications



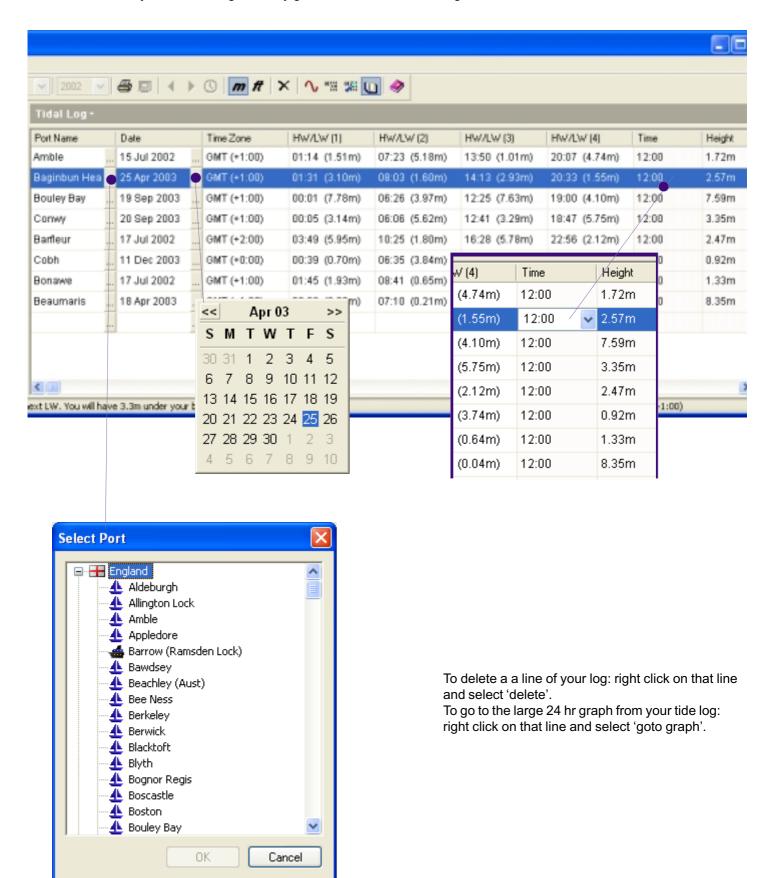
Tide log - example 4

Tide Log enables you to select any port for any day of your own choosing, thus enabling you to build up your own specific log for your passage.

To select the port: click on the small box in the port grid

T select the day: click on the small box in the date grid

You can additionally select the height for any given time: click in the time grid





Reviews - what the Press have to say

Rating - 5 Star

Sailing Today

Belfield's tidal program is designed to take the hard work out of tidal calculations. It uses the latest harmonic constants from the Hydrographic Office, the program includes data for over 480 primary and secondary ports for the year 2000.

Verdict

Excellent value for money and easy to use

SAILING

Classic Boat If you hold onto last year's almanac you can do all your passage planning before you reach the boat. A simple to use and reasonably priced piece of sailing kit

Yachting Monthly

When we first downloaded Tide Plotter we were instantly impressed by the ease of installation and the clarity of the information as it was displayed. As well as containing full tidal data for 490 UK and North European ports, the program will draw a tidal curve of any port and indicate with dotted lines, the height at any given time (can be set to the current time). With draught details of your own vessel entered once only, the program will always indicate your own crunch times. With the ability to print both tables and curves, you might never need to buy a tide table or draw your own curves again.



Sea Angler

Now you can see all the tidal predictions for one year on your PC. Thanks to Belfield Software, all the information you need is on disc. The main feature of the program is that it is extremely easy to use. Very affordable at £9.95 inc.

Total Sea Fishing

This is a godsend for anyone who fishes regularly and owns a PC. The CD is easy to use and contains a mass of tidal information for the UK, Ireland and Channel Ports. All you have to do is pop the CD into your computer and follow the on-screen instructions.





Photo gallery

We have added a free utility to the Tide Plotter CD. Photos of water related activities. The files are in a JPEG format which are readily accessible by virtually all modern computers. There are three sizes of the files: large, medium and thumbnail; the large files average 2 - 5 mb in size, thus enabling the pictures to be used for good quality printed products. The medium size files are suitable for website applications. High quality gloss prints on photo paper can be ordered: A4 size at £5.95, or, A3 size at £9.95. Telephone 0121 777 6756

The files are in three different directories on the CD. One directory contains small thumbnail pictures, the second contains pictures screen size and the third with large files suitable for printing up to A4 size. We have also included a picture viewer to make it easy to view the photos. If you already have a utility to view the pictures then this can be used equally effectively. There are also a range of photos on our website at www.tideplotter.co.uk/photos

Copying files to your hard drive:

Insert the CD and select 'Photo gallery'
Select the file to copy
Click on <u>file</u> and <u>save</u>
You will be given a choice of large, medium or small
Save to a directory of your choice onto your computer

Using the photos on the web

Save the required file as 'small'

Using the files for print output.

Use the large size files for best results
You will get good resolution up to A3 size prints
Use your graphics package to present and manipulate the photos.



Photo Gallery



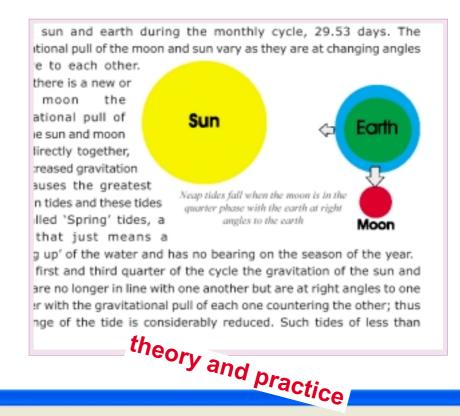


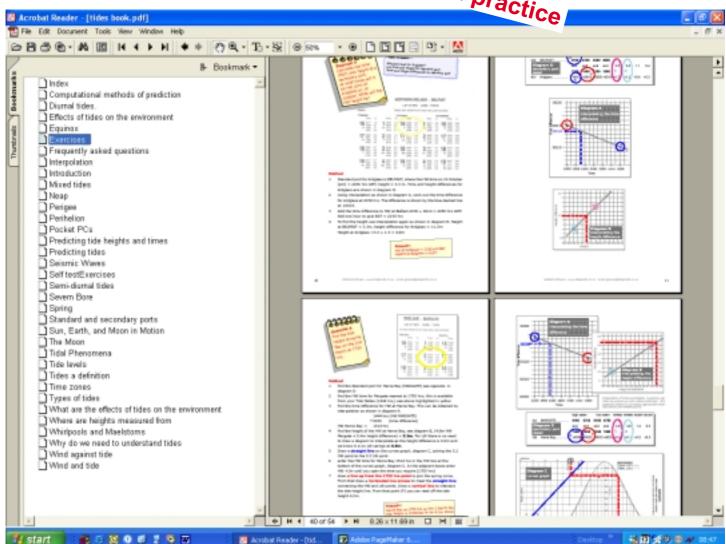
Working with Tides

'Working with Tides' is a book contained on the CD in pdf format. It contains a wealth of both theoretical and practical information about: how tides work, what causes them, how we can predict them and a series of practical exercises.

Extremely useful for anyone using tidal shores or waters, or, if you are undertaking an examination syllabus.

Hard copies of this book can be purchased direct from Belfield Software Ltd, tel: 0121 777 6756.



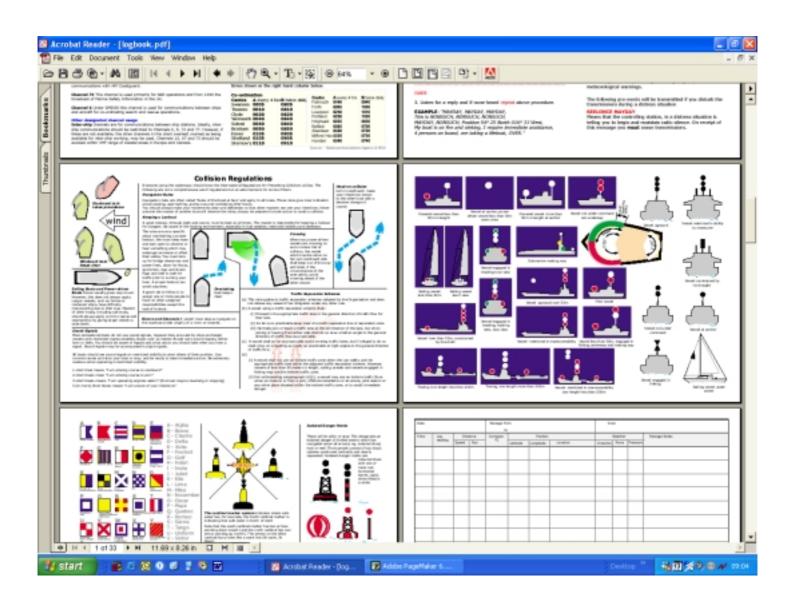


Logbook

Contained on the CD in pdf format, suitable for viewing on screen or printing out. Alternatively it can be purchased as a hard copy from Belfield Software Ltd, tel: 0121 777 6756.

This Log Book contains an abridged summary of some of the signals, marks and information that can assist in navigation and avoidance of dangerous situations.

- Life Saving Signals to be used by Ships, Aircraft or Persons in Distress
- Shipping Forecast
- VHF Channels Distress, Safety and Calling Channels
- DISTRESS TRANSMITTING PROCEDURES
- Collision Regulations
- · Navigation Lights and Day Marks
- International Code Flags and Buoyage System
- · Log Book
- Weather Forecast Log
- Passage Planning Notes



Mobile phone

Tide Plotter is available for use on certain types of mobile phones.

In order for Tide Plotter to be installed on your mobile phone you will need a phone that supports the Windows Mobile operating system, for example the Orange SPV 100 or SPV 200 or C500. Please consult you phone operating instructions to see if Windows Mobile is supported.

To install on your mobile phone:

connect the phone to your PC via the synchronisation cable

insert the Tide Plotter CD into you PC

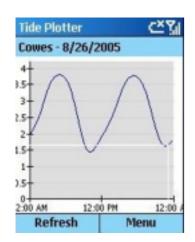
from the installation menu select the mobile phone option

follow the on screen instructions

please note you will require the serial code that you will have purchased

The mobile version gives you all the day to day graphs and height information that you will need in any practical situation. It does not give the monthly tables which can be produced from your PC and are particulary useful for long term planning. The monthly tables can, however, be copied and pasted into the calendar of your mobile phone, or, Palm - see next page for details. Please note this is not necessary for the Pocket PC as Tide Plotter can be downloaded directly to the Pocket PC device.

The features on the phone version of Tide Plotter include:



Graph with heights at any predetermined time, plus grounding information.

High and Low water times

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Southampton -	7/25/2004
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10:56 AM	1.5m
6:18 PM	4.2m
11:31 PM	1.7m
	Menu



Selection of ports

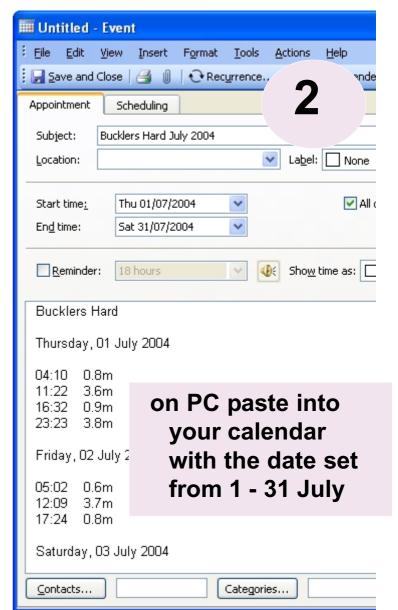


Transferring monthly tables to your mobile device

Please note this is not relevant if you have a Pocket PC, Tide Plotter can be downloaded directly to this type of device. If you have a Palm handheld or a mobile phone that synchronises with your PC calendar, you can very easily and quickly transfer monthly tables from Tide Plotter to the calendar on you mobile device.

The procedure is as follows:





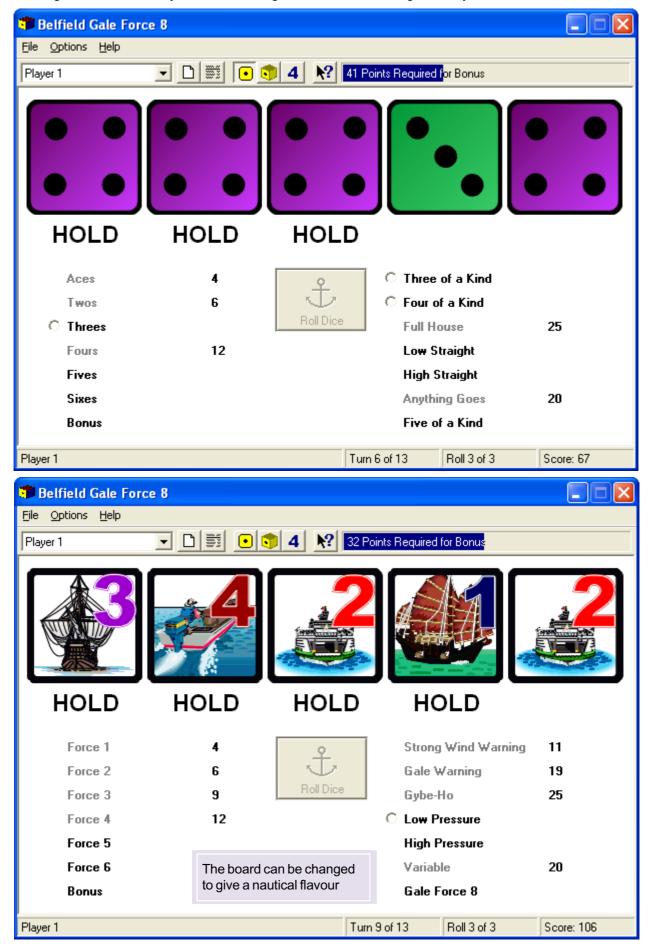
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Sychronise with your mobile device

Dice game - Gale force 8

Bundled with Tide Plotter comes a small game, which is great fun to play, requiring strategy, logic and a certain amount of luck. It is based on an Ancient Chinese dice game which has been re-vamped with a certain nautical bias.

Object of the game is to roll the dice three times whereby you get a choice of placing the value on a scoreboard. You only have one chance and you cannot change your mind to place your scores. When the scoreboard is full the player with the highest score wins. If you like a bit of a gamble then this is the game for you.



To install Gale Force 8, go to the GALE8 directory on the CD and double click on the setup.exe file

Entering your dice scores onto the scoreboard requires strategy. Fill the left half of the board with a sub total score of 63 or more and you score an additional 50.

Determining where to place your score is the difference between winning and losing.

