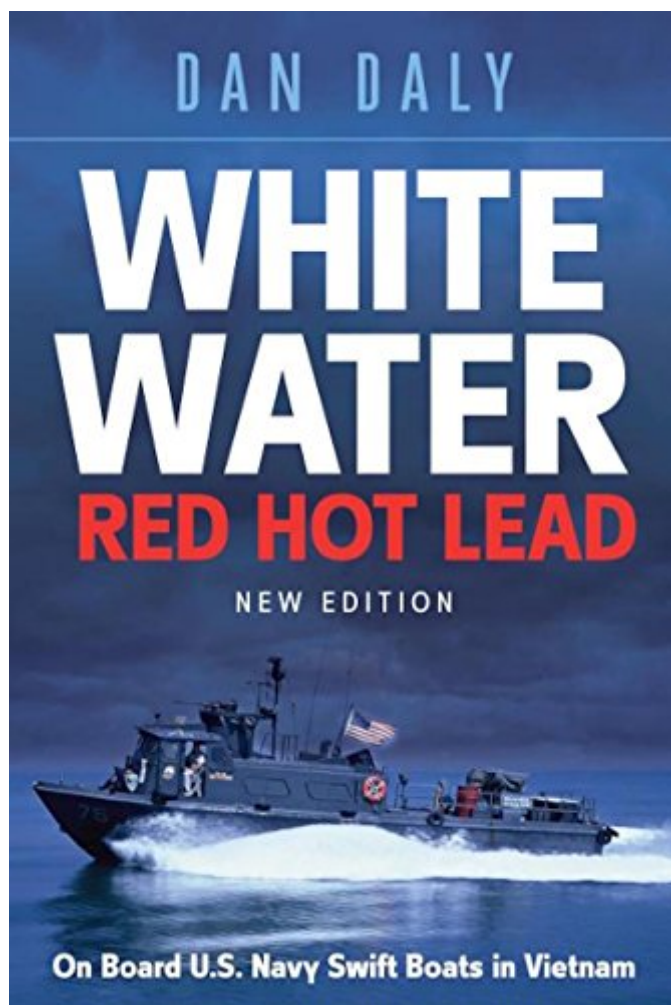


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Great detail about the Swift boats and the day to day navy life and operations on patrol in Vietnam in the brown water navy. Thank you for your service..

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