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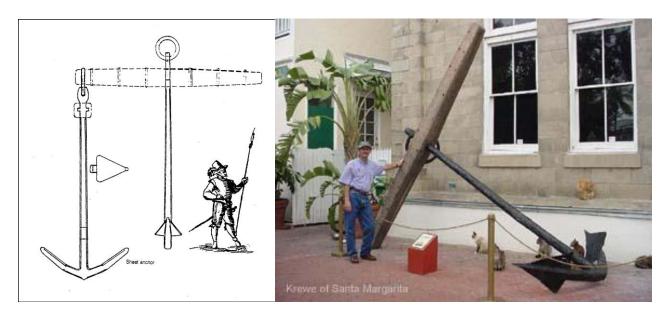


Figure is drawn to scale showing the actual size of the anchor

Ipe Wooden Anchor - 349 Years of Marine Borer Exposure

A stream anchor from the Margarita was found with a well-preserved wooden stock. An analysis by Forest Products Laboratories of the U.S. Department of Agriculture showed that it was made of a wood known as ipe or lapacho. On its crown are several well-preserved inscriptions: the date, 1618, and a foundry mark.

