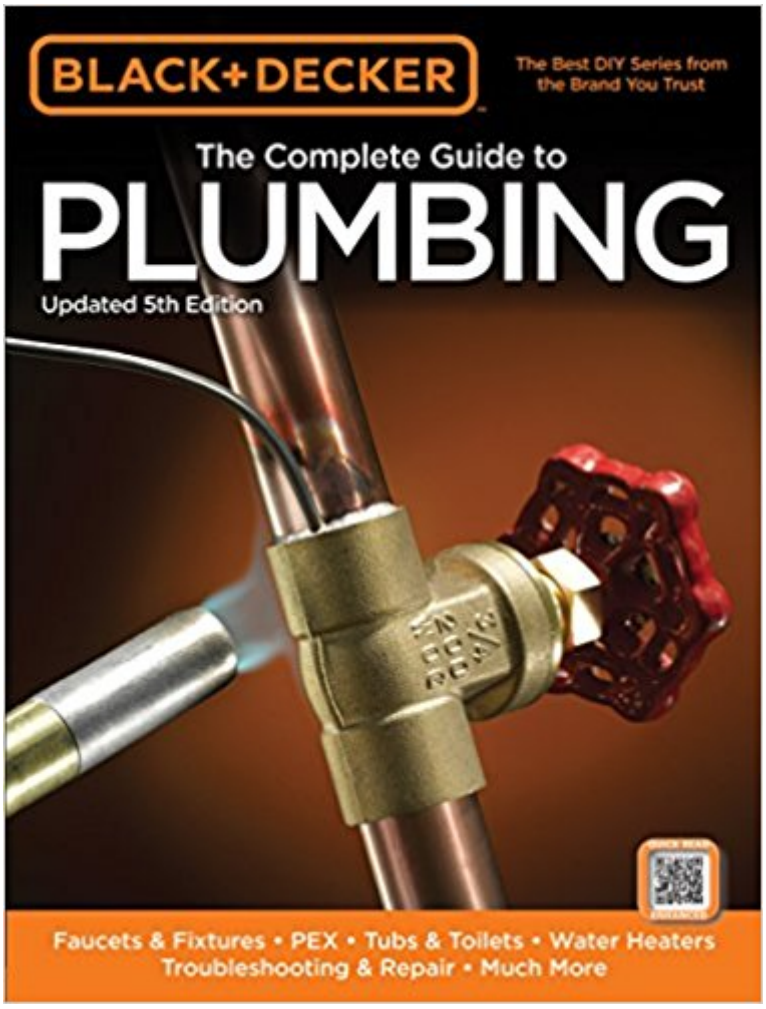
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Synopsis

From fixing a faucet to installing a drain line in a basement floor, this massive volume has the answer to any home plumbing problem youÃ¢â ¬â„¢re likely to find. Packed with clear color photos and easy-to-understand descriptions, the first four editions of this bestselling book have combined for more than 700,000 books sold. The basics of home plumbing systems are explained with clarity, and all of the most popular plumbing projects are shown with beautiful step-by-step photos. New information in this edition includes how to winterize a house and how to install a state-of-the-art, on-demand water heater.

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Unlike the wiring book that B&D has, this is more along the line of how to fix a faucet. The installs shown in the book are only for existing construction. If you want to build something from the ground up you might be able to do it from the information in this book but some of the items are left out...

Like: "How far from the wall do you place the toilet flange?"

I use to be a tool runner for a plumber for many years. Even though I have seen things done, I always doubt myself when doing it on my own. My main problem was the Lowes/Home Depot daze and confusion that occurred when I got to the plumbing section and needed just a few things. I would think I knew what I was doing until I saw 30 different options, then to make you doubt yourself even more they will put parts that are for the same thing on different aisles which causes you to go, ÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Å“maybe I canÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t connect CPVC to PEXÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã Â•. This book is up to date and covered almost everything. The only thing it didnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t mention was that push-to-connect fittings come with a little white tube inside that you only use for PEX and remove for Copper or CPVC. I went through this whole book in one sitting and plan to go over some of the sections in more detail the next time I get bored. Knowledge is power and this book gives you plenty. It even covers installing a tank less hot water heater if you so choose to do so. My only issue there would be installing the vent pipe to the outside which this book gives you instruction on but how could they know I couldnÃƒÂ¢Ã â ¬Ã â„¢t do carpentry if my life depended on it. This book paid for itself in just the amount of time I will save at the home improvement store trying to guess what I need. It even confirmed my method of buying more than you need and anything you think you might need and returning it later.

I’m self taught in pretty much every trade of home remodeling. Only remodel for myself, not a contractor, but do own a few buildings. The only trade I tried to stay away from was plumbing. This book laid out the steps to plumbing in a very basic approach. I recommend to anyone remodeling their own house and plan on doing all their own plumbing.

It’s good, but not as good as some of the other B&D books I have. Some topics are great and really helpful, such as replacing water heaters. Some are barely touched and leave a lot to be desired, such as the basics of hooking up a kitchen sink.

All the information that you need for DIY. Good book.

The guidelines, instructions and photographs gave me the confidence to acquire the tools and undertake a home repair job, satisfactorily I may say, that I was waiting on my plumber to do. I have already recover the cost of the book and at the same time developing my plumbing skills. The

bigger project on the horizon for me that will enhance my plumbing skills is the setting up of an aquaponics system and again, The Complete Guide to Plumbing will be one of my consultants.

While this book is ok, it doesn't go into as much detail as I had hoped it would. I don't want to ask a guy for help with my plumbing projects, but I'm afraid I'll still need to. I gave it four stars because it does go through quite a few applications and gives you the gist of each.

Great book for the Do It Yourself person. Great pictures, tips and directions for the most common plumbing repair projects.

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