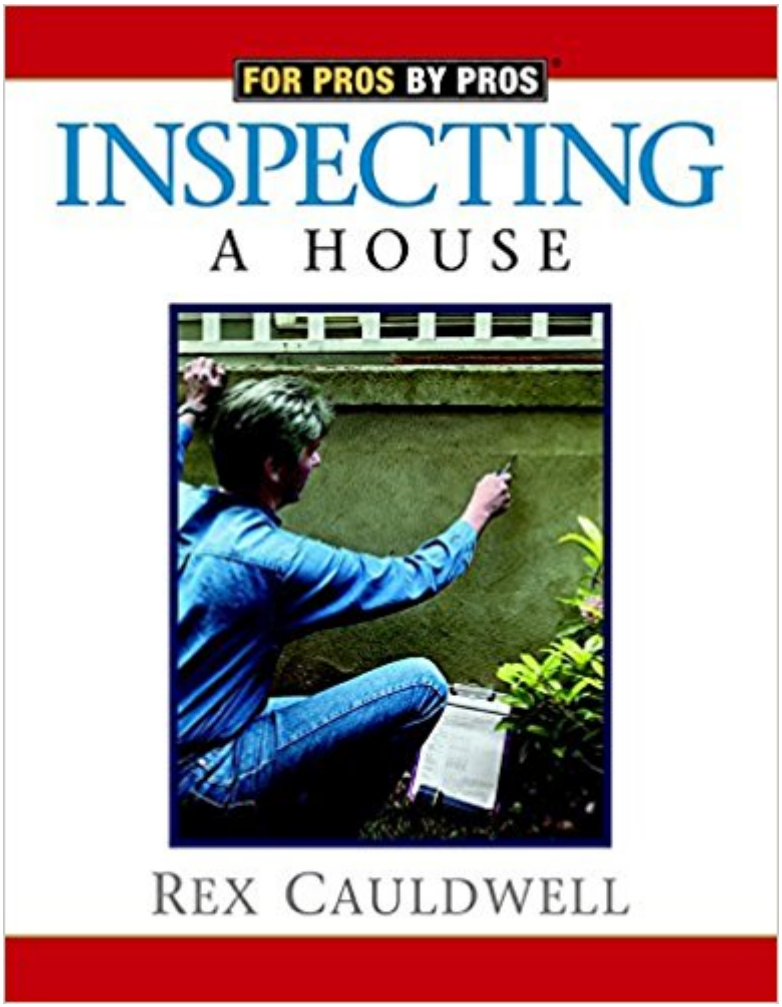
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Inspecting A House (For Pros By Pros)



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Synopsis

This pro-level guide to inspecting a house is a tool for evaluating property inside and out. It includes a discussion of current building materials, heating, electrical and plumbing systems, foundations, and more. This book can help anyone determine the soundness of a house.

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Customer Reviews

Home ownership is the biggest expense most people ever make, so the prepurchase inspection of a house makes a great deal of sense. With 20 years of experience as a master plumber and electrician, building inspector, and licensed contractor, Cauldwell is well qualified to show what constitutes an in-depth home inspection. Geared toward other home inspectors, this guide will also prove useful to realtors and to homebuyers. Readers are guided through a home’s interior and exterior with much attention paid to the signs that indicate major problems. Cauldwell describes the work practices used by ethical inspectors and shows how to conduct many tests and checks. Most public libraries should consider this title. Copyright 2001 Reed Business Information, Inc.

A third generation tradesperson, Cauldwell is both a master electrician and master plumber. Cauldwell has an A.A.S. degree in Electronic Engineering and his books "Wiring a House" and "Inspecting a House" are popular industry standards. He is also the author of "For Pros by Pros: Plumbing."

I gave this book 5 stars, because it is really great for the type of book it is. But I have to tell you what type of book it is, to help you decide whether you want to buy it. This is written as if it is a textbook for a trade school course, for students who are entering the construction industry. The author assumes that the reader will be getting a job, working for a company which sends its employees out to do home inspections. It assumes that the reader starts with little background in the field, and it teaches enough so that the reader ought to be able to fill that role, probably first working as an assistant to an experienced home inspector for a while, before he is going out to do his own inspections. It doesn't go into depth in any one area, but it really is an excellent overview, it does teach the basics in all areas, and this is why I gave it 5 stars.

Great book with lots of pictures.Obviously in this year 2017 most of the things can be found online in the form of PDFs but nothing can beat having a real solid book in your hands to read and reference from.Bought this solely as a physical reference guide for my workshop. Have a friend who's a handyman and some contractors and they really liked what they saw in this book, if not wary since it means i will depend on them less for technical know-how.'s Book Sample/Preview system is a perfect example of what's inside the book and how its all displayed so I will skip that.Solid refrence guide, when I don't know what I'm looking for in a damaged or old home.I'm more using this to identify if there's anythign wrong in my own home for improvements for my own Quality of living. And make my house look good.

Not being a professional, I cannot evaluate whether the advice is totally thorough, but I have really learned a great deal, and this has been a terrific help as I have looked at some houses on the market as a prospective buyer. Homeowners not looking to buy a new house will probably learn about their own old house's needs from this book. The photographs of example bad situations, some dangerous, are very useful. Most older homes probably have multiple jerry-rigged amateur repairs, and owners of older homes would be wise to use this or a similar book to see what problems need fixing. Check out the site thereifixedit.com for some scary home repairs that would drive a home inspector crazy. Some of the problems this book identifies are potentially fatal.

Just got this book a couple of days ago and I'm impressed so far. Tons of pictures and diagrams showing and explaining different types of problems to look for during a home inspection. If you are new to home inspection practices (like me) then this book is definitely worth taking a look at. The

only negative I see so far is if you plan to eventually have your own home inspection business, this book doesn't give much information on how to run a business. But otherwise it's definitely recommended.

Very good coverage on all items required for a thorough home inspection. I am an inspector and wanted to review the items that I inspect. In this business, one must continue to refine their knowledge as no two inspections are ever the same. I would rate this book excellent for the home owner and anyone in the business, new or experienced.

I purchased prior to getting into the home inspection business. I'm a Building Inspector by trade and I'll still learned some things. Home inspecting is somewhat different than doing municipal inspections.

This is the go-to book for house inspectors. Easy to understand, chock full of information, tons of color pictures. I am a Targeted Individual, and I needed a book that teaches about how a house is wired.

Excellent pictures and a nice overview. There are several books out there that describe each house system in component in much greater depth, but this one is a nice review or primer for more in-depth coverage.

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