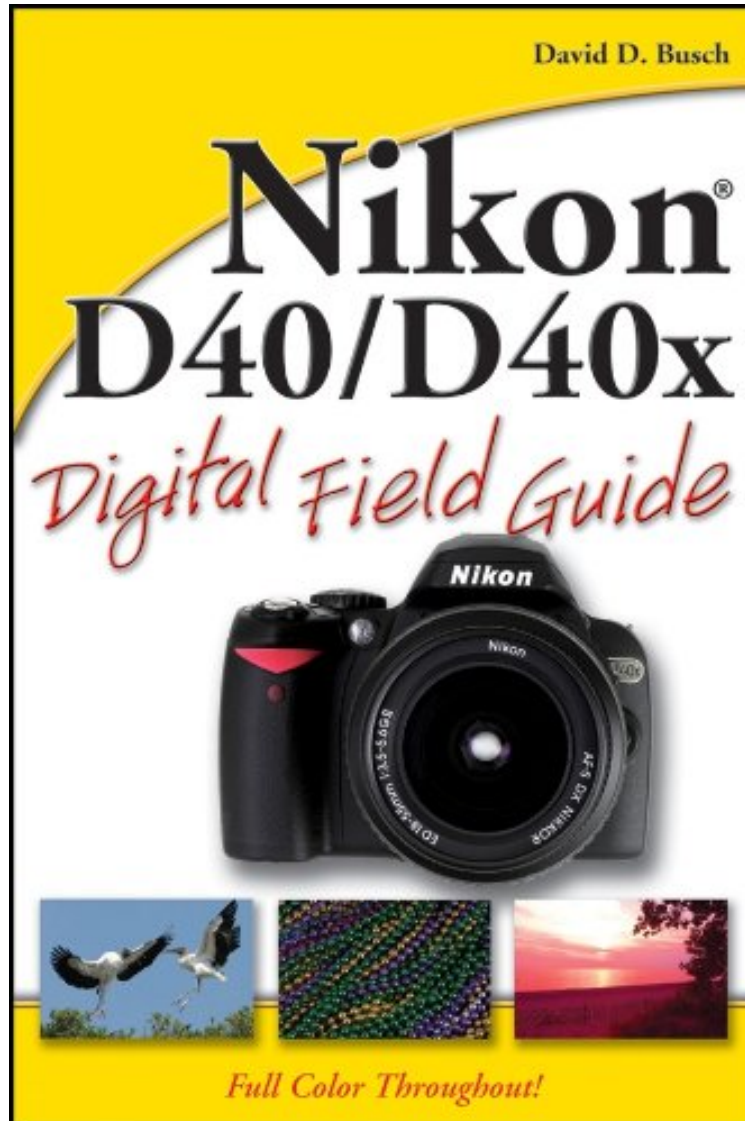


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164 of 166 people found the following review helpful. Essential guide for my step up to digital SLR photographyBy Free Range Clickin'Last week I bought my first digital SLR - the Nikon D40x 10.2MP Digital SLR Camera with 18-55mm f/3.5-5.6G ED II AF-S DX Zoom-Nikkor Lens. I decided to step into the world of digital SLRs after years of experience with different (and very good) compact or "point and shoot" digital cameras.My current compact digicam is the Panasonic Lumix DMC-TZ3K 7.2MP Digital Camera with 10x Optical Image Stabilized Zoom (Black) - which I took to Peru, and with which I took some wonderful photos. As good as they were, I wanted to try for even better

pictures, and happily bought my Nikon D40x SLR. But after I opened the boxes and got my pristine new D40x ready to use, I suddenly felt lost and overwhelmed. Yes, there's an "auto" setting, but if that's all I use, I figure I might as well not have spent all the money to get into the digital SLR world. The owner's manual is, I'm sure, complete and accurate, but I found it difficult. It tells me the name of a button and something of how to use it, but I don't have the background to know what most of that means in terms of taking a photo. Fortunately, I ordered this book from - and it's saved the day. I'm still working my way through it, but I know it's a keeper - and it's going along whenever possible, for reference on the spot when I'm taking photos. I'm no dummy, nor a total novice at digital photography. But I'm not a professional photog, nor a "camera geek" familiar with a lot of the technical terms and concepts. The author strikes just the right note for me with the explanations in this book. At last - I'm starting to understand histograms, and feel more assured when changing ISO settings. I'm also learning the uses of all those dials and buttons on my new D40x. Reading this book has conquered a vague sense of dread I felt about this new gadget ("what was I thinking buying this complicated expensive camera?"). Instead, I'm looking forward to using my D40x and learning more as I go. I don't know if it exactly replaces the owner's manual supplied by Nikon, but I encourage anyone who's feeling baffled by that manual to get their hands on this book. It's made all the difference to me between puzzlement and comprehension.

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Nikon D40/D40x Digital Field Guide is filled with everything you need to know in order to take amazing photographs using your Nikon D40 or Nikon D40x. This full-color portable guide walks you through the essential controls, features, and functions of your Nikon D40 or D40x digital SLR using step-by-step instructions and full-color images of each menu screen. This robust guide not only shows you how to adjust white balance, autofocus, exposure, and choose lenses, it also teaches you when and why you should adjust each of these key settings. The Nikon D40/D40x Digital Field Guide goes beyond camera settings to offer you a refresher guide to the principles of digital photography, covering the essentials of lighting, composition, and exposure. Filled with amazing examples, this book also presents you with a variety of tips and tricks to capturing portraits, candids, sports, travel, macro photography, and much more.

From the Back Cover Picture yourself capturing the perfect shot A new world of photographic experiences awaits you as you move up to a digital SLR with your Nikon D40 or D40x. Get started with your new D40 or D40x right away with this guide's Quick Tour. Ready to customize your camera's settings? Chapter 3 tells you how. Want advice on getting perfect shots of sunsets, landscapes, people, or your son's soccer game? Check Chapter 7. But whatever you do, get out there and take pictures. And take this book along. Identify and use all your camera's controls and features Discover how lenses work and select the ones you need Learn to fix minor problems, including red-eye, by using the Retouch menu Get complete recipes for shooting events, fireworks, night scenes, landscapes, people, pets, water, action, and more Find out how to download your pictures and troubleshoot common camera problems About the Author David D. Busch has operated a commercial photo studio, shot sports for a newspaper, and spent more than twenty years as a roving photojournalist. He has shared his experience in more than 90 books, including the bestselling Nikon D80 Digital Field Guide, Digital Travel Photography Digital Field Guide, and Digital SLR Cameras and Photography For Dummies, all from Wiley.