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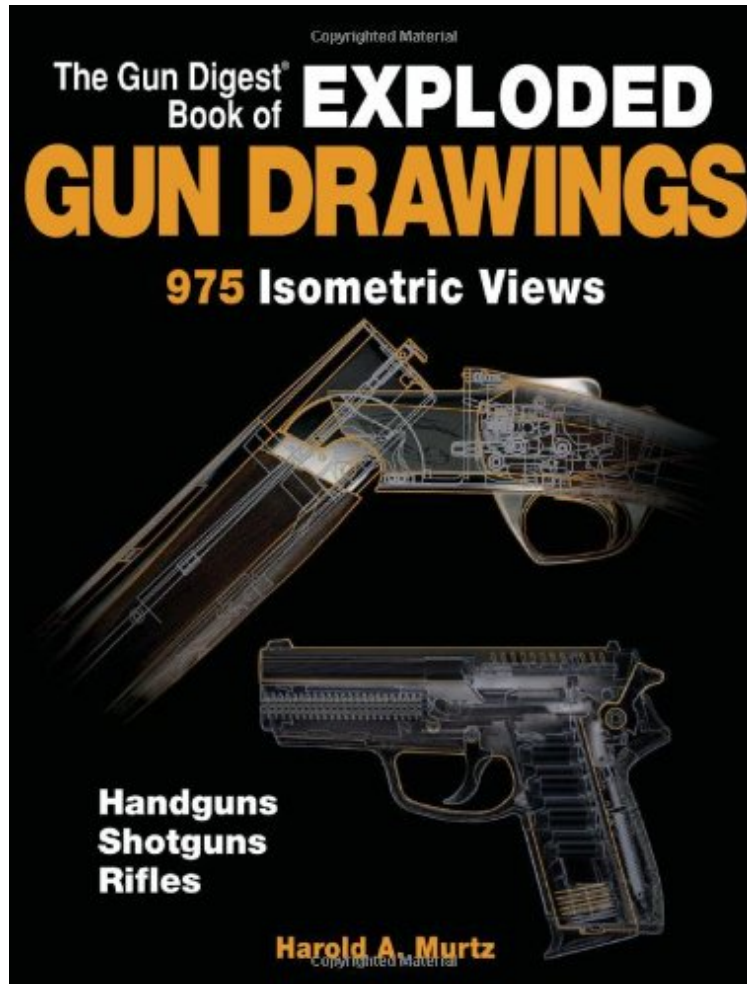
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4 of 4 people found the following review helpful. To Avoid Disappointment, Understand what this Book Is, And What It Is NotBy ReasonableGuyI was a bit disappointed with this book, but the primary reason is that I expected it to be something that it is not, and was most likely never intended to be. This book will be most useful for someone who owns a particular firearm and needs to identify a part (or possibly a missing part). That's a legitimate need, and if that's what you want it for, you're good to go.What you have to understand though, is that this is not an instruction manual for the assembly or disassembly of firearms. It won't enlighten you as to which parts you can safely and confidently strip and clean yourself, and those which you should prudently leave to a gunsmith. The drawings are only an

isometric parts layout and parts list. Similarly, the exploded diagrams won't give you an automatic feel for how the assembled firearm fits together, or how it functions. If you're already familiar with the gun in question, no problem, but if you're not familiar and your aim is to understand how certain components work together, these drawings may not do the trick. Don't make the mistake of imagining that these diagrams convey any information about the gun's operating cycle. They don't. This is a parts reference only. Best advice... See if you can find a copy of this book before you buy it. Thumb through it and see if it's what you want. Check the index to see if the firearms you're interested in are included -- lots are, but some (particularly military types) are not. If it's what you want, go for it. 39 of 39 people found the following review helpful. I was surprised to find no guns were actually exploded.... By Joe D Taking pictures during disassembly of a firearm with a digital camera can help jog the memory at a later date for reassembly, but sometimes things happen too quickly and unexpectedly to capture the essentials. One minute you're pushing on a little spring loaded widget under a forward barrel band, the next minute you're holding the barrel, six ball bearings and seven of the tiniest springs you've ever seen through your 7x magnifying nerd visor. A good set of exploded drawings, assembly drawings, can really save the day. Over the years, I've accumulated a number of these books; "a number" because most individual books offer limited firearm selection coverage, or the drawings are of substandard quality because the author depended on reproductions of reproductions of old manufacturer's drawings or military manual drawings. The Gun Digest Book of Exploded Gun Drawings has done a good job of avoiding both of these limitations. A count of nine hundred and seventy five isometric views means lots of rifle, shotgun and handgun coverage. Some firearms represent older historical pieces, some are new, some are military, some civilian, some are domestic, some originated on foreign soil. I was able to locate all of my firearms, handgun, rifle, shotgun, and milsurp with the exception of Mosin-Nagant models and my CVA muzzle loader. My Thompson Center original Contender model is covered, but not the Encore and or new generation Contender. In all fairness, the author makes no claim to cover all guns, but he does come close to touching upon what most people might encounter. If there are weak spots in the book they are minor. The index is a bit odd in arranging model listings. Under U.S. you will find the M-1 Garand and carbine, as well as the M-14. If you want to look at the M-16 drawings you will find it under Mitchell Arms along with the AK-47. The Model 1903 is listed under Springfield. This only means that a little mixed logic searching is sometimes required to find a listing. Still, if you are the owner of even a Zouave, Laurona, Madsen, or Rigarmi you are pretty much covered. The line drawings in 99% of the cases are consistent in arrangement and style. In a handful of cases the drawings are a little thick lined, and the representation of the assembled firearm is a photograph or photorealistic illustration. Even in those cases the drawings are easy to read and cover the detail of arrangement of every piece part with clarity. A great reference book, a useful tool and an excellent value. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Excellent book, don't need instructions on assembly. By Jrg Excellent book, don't need instructions on assembly, this book is what it is intended for. This book has a lot of great information. If you don't understand firearms assembly will be a bit challenging at first but this book will get you there.

- Detailed line drawings of 975 exploded (disassembled) guns- Contains a special resource section on gun parts and suppliers!