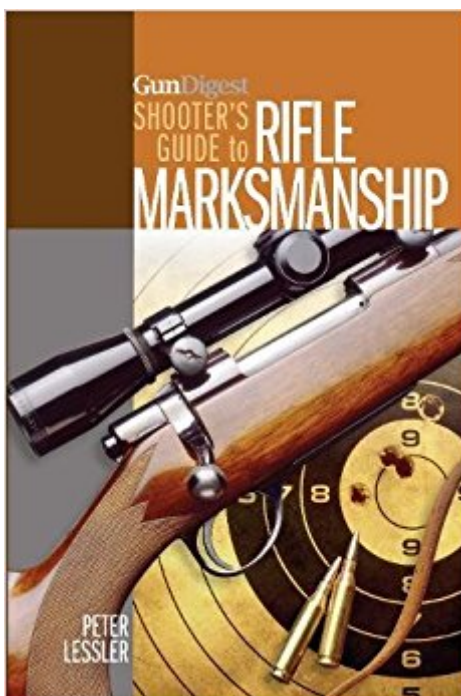


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Gun Digest Shooter's Guide To Rifle Marksmanship



Synopsis

Whether you're a first-time rifle buyer or an experienced rifle owner looking for formal, comprehensive firearms training, Gun Digest Shooter's Guide to Rifle Marksmanship delivers the foundational marksmanship training you need. In this information-packed volume, you will find: Complete and simple explanations that teach the fundamental skills and techniques required to perform well. Practice drills with step-by-step instructions that show you how to perform the techniques properly, and help you to analyze and correct your performance. Hundreds of clear, detailed photos to illustrate the techniques. With the techniques in this book, you'll progress from basic competence to expert, building sound knowledge and understanding of fundamental marksmanship methods and techniques along the way.

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Customer Reviews

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Americans tend to suffer from what I call the 'Olympics' syndrome. That is, they can't begin a sport / activity without buying the kind of gear, and setting their expectations of achievement to levels, that would only be appropriate for a world class participant. For example, I have a pool cue that is capable of shooting a far better game of pool than I am. Further, having participated in many

activities over the years (and mastered a few), I've come to believe perfecting the fundamentals usually provides far more bang for the buck than spending a lot of time with the latest esoteric technique. Last, for the vast majority of real doers, knowing 20% of the stuff accomplishes 80% of the work, if one knows it well and can perform it. Regardless of what is put in magazines, I've heard / read credible sources that say real shots by real military snipers usually are at ranges 600 yards and below, police SWAT 300 yards and below (with many at 100 yards and below) and hunters 400 yards and below (with average shots being between 200 - 300 yards). This book teaches the fundamental information necessary for an average person, with practice and using an appropriate rifle, to put rounds consistently into a 10 inch square (the target space on a good sized deer) out to 600 yards utilizing the positions most commonly appropriate in the field, round after round after round. Without frills or hoopla, it teaches the reader how to hit what he / she aims at in the majority of real life situations to be expected . . . and that's the bottom line of it, in my opinion. Well done.

I would call myself an intermediate amateur, so there's a lot I still have to learn about shooting. I personally found this about twice as long as it needed to be. Clearly the author knows his stuff, and is experienced enough. Perhaps it's just that the book format is not the best means of communicating advice on technique. Some of the introductory info on visualization seemed redundant, I felt as though I had just read the very same paragraph a page before. One thing this is NOT is a compilation of ballistics tables, which I did appreciate. I was just hoping for a little more meat on the bones. Edit: after reading this in a little more detail, it's actually quite good. Although redundant in parts in the early going. I did come to appreciate the commentary on hunting ethics, as in don't take a shot you're not up to. Other tid-bits of wisdom in there too. For the genre it's a standout. 2nd edit: I keep coming back to the book for tips, so I have given it 5 stars. Have not seen a better book in its field.

There's a lot of good info between the covers. A lot of time is spent on proper sling usage, body positions etc. I find myself going back to review something and finding some other tidbit to pay attention to. Of course you can always find something lacking if you push it but I think just the awareness the book generates of some of the fine points of shooting makes it a good addition to any shooters shelf.

There's plenty of the old here (Think Col. Cooper's Art of the Rifle) and the new (a whole new generation of readers unfamiliar with the workings of a rifle and in need of practical, safe, useful

instructions and info). Lot's of clear and instructive pictures with detailed and repeated angles and shots to make that point in the book, clear and visual to the reader. Easy writing style and detailed to a point to extend beyond satisfactory into most excellent. Also, excellent for women and children (or young girls for that matter!) as Mr. Lessler doesn't write like this should be an old white man's fraternity. In fact, one of his featured shooters in the book, is a young girl (a relative I believe) who, armed with the fundamentals, outshoots Army trained snipers in local competitions. Whether you're new to the field, a seasoned hand, an old veteran, you'll learn a thing or two from this book. Well done!

The content is fantastic, as I'm primarily a shotgunner in need of some rifle fundamentals....however, the Kindle edition is broken as it will not download the complete work to my HDX.

I just started my hunting experience and bought this book as my first reference... I couldn't be happier for the choice. Easy to read, delivers very useful information in a reader-friendly frame. I wish I had bought it before getting my rifle and the accessories as it would have saved me some good money. The most important message I got from this book is that it's the shooter that makes the difference and not the gun or the fancy accessories and gears.

This book covers almost verbatim what is taught at Appleseed events. But the writing in the book is really not clear enough for one to understand the material from reading the book alone. It makes a good companion to attending an actual Appleseed event. One can read and be reminded of the lessons. But as a stand alone instructional book it doesn't cut the mustard. Better to just attend an actual event if you are interested in learning marksmanship skills. Also, there are plenty of youtube videos that will be easier to follow as instructional material.

The writing was a little dry but is there a way to describe the prone position in an interesting way?

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