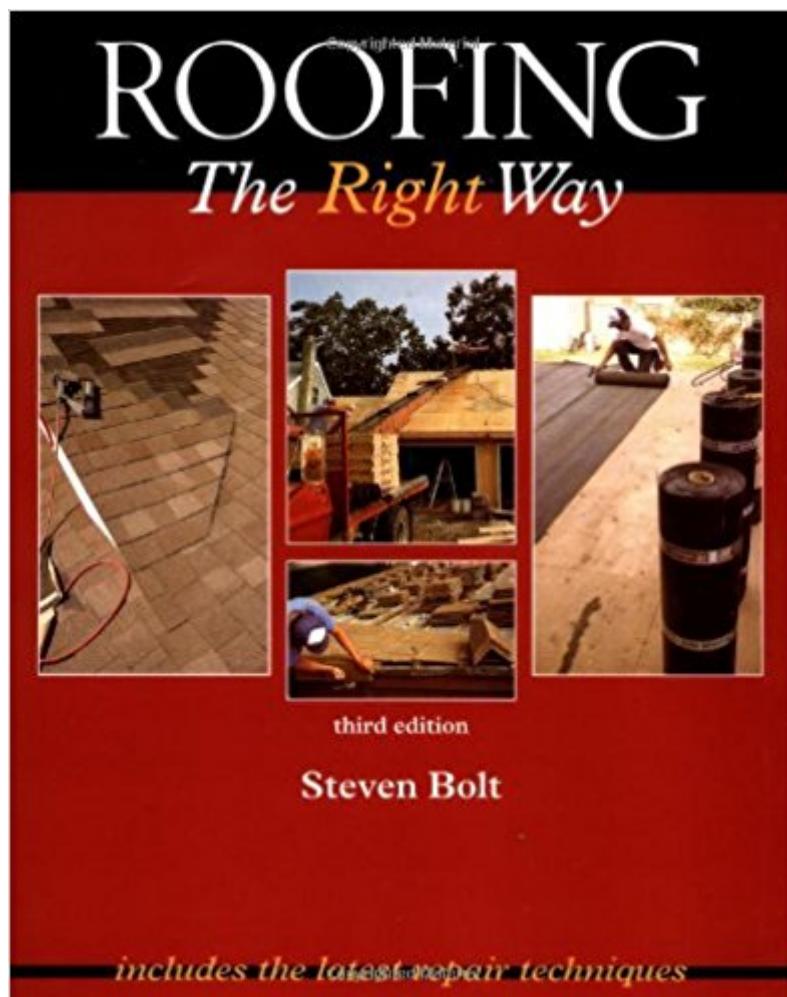


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# Roofing The Right Way



## **Synopsis**

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## **Customer Reviews**

"... a detailed manual on how to apply all popular types of roofing... contains a lot of useful information that will be of great help to those who want to do their own roofing." -- The New York Times, "... before calling a roofing contractor, take time to read... *Roofing the Right Way*." -- Owen Whetzel, San Jose Mercury News "If you're one of the 23 million families in America whose homes are more than 50 years old, this is definitely a must read... gives you a complete rundown of what to look for when inspecting your roof, what materials are available-there are lots of new ones-and how to do the job yourself... There are plenty of good black-and-white photos and diagrams to help you understand the techniques of installing a roof." -- Morris & James Carey, San Francisco Examiner; National Syndicated Home Improvement Columnists "It is rewarding to find a book that takes the time in text and pictures to divide a job into many segments, then subdivides them into understandable sequences that don't leave out details you need to do the job correctly." -- The

Washington Post, 12/96 "Scores of excellent photographs and diagrams are provided." -- New York Public Library, "With the aid of this guide, homeowners can successfully complete their own roofing projects at a fraction of the cost of seeking expert assistance... the handyman homeowner will find it an essential reference." -- The Midwest Book Review

Do it yourself and do it right with the definitive step-by-step roofing manual. If you want to save up to 60 percent, or even more, on roofing repairs or replacement, this book can help you. It's like having a professional at your side to prevent mistakes that could be costly. Even roofing apprentices and construction professionals can learn from the information and advice inside this best-selling guide. Completely updated with new material and illustrations, this edition gives you: Full details on the newest tools and materials; Inside information on all the latest roofing techniques used by professionals; Step-by-step instructions on roof repair and installation; Clear work-in-progress illustrations; Precise descriptions of application patterns; Complete details on concrete tile roofing and other hot trends; Tips on choosing a contractor; Detailed field studies and best practice information. A useful appendix contains answers to frequently asked roofing questions. In addition, you'll find comprehensive lists for sources of products and tools, and information on roofing associations and institutes.

Like many roof texts, this one is helpful if you are installing plain 3-tab shingles to a simple gable roof with maybe a valley and a dormer. If you have a hip roof or hip roof section, or if you are installing shingles other than a plain 3-tab type, this text won't help you much. I'm a chronically addicted do-it-yourselfer for everything. I learn everything by gathering multiple texts on a subject: electronics, mechanics, carpentry, among others ... and now roofing. I think that no single textbook tells you all you need to know about anything so I have to recommend that you not rely on just one text for your roofing project. With that in mind, let me say that this text I'm reviewing titled "Roofing the Right Way" is helpful towards broadening your roofing knowledge base but it's not comprehensive enough to be your "bible." As another reviewer has said, this text feels, to me also, a little dated. However, if you are installing plain 3-tab shingles or plain roll roofing to a simple gable roof, you might be able to rely on this text alone. Not many of us fall into that category, however. If you are installing dimensional shingles on a hip roof, you'll definitely need other texts besides this one.

I got what I wanted

Very outdated nothing is relevant to current roofing PS I've been a roofer since 1979

Pluses: lots of good, current how-to information with plenty of photos/illustrations. Minuses: photos are black and white--they should be color at this price, and would be a lot easier to understand with the extra information color provides. Should be more consideration of \*why\* one might use a particular material or technique, instead it covers mostly the \*hows\*. The presentation is rather dry--the opposite end of the spectrum from the ...For Dummies books. A larger format would help make the photos and diagrams easier to follow

Great source of information.

Very informative book. Helped me do the roof on my new garage with a gable dormer. No leaks and looks great! Lots of great info. the pictures could use an update. Some are hard to see exactly what they want to show but I am no novice. I bought it mainly because I never shingled a roof with a gable dormer.

This book was very helpful, and will continue to be. I just wish the pictures were in color.

It was used and a very old edition.. I thought I was buying new.... Pages and binding was old and dry rot..

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