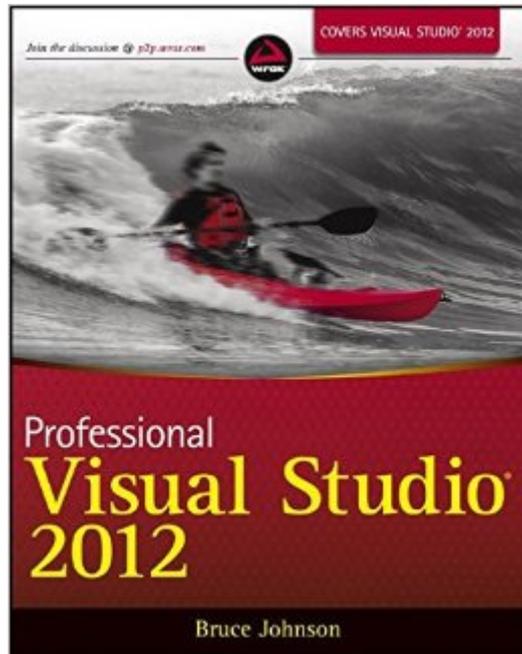# Professional Visual Studio 2012

Synopsis

The ultimate developers' guide to Visual Studio 2012 This expert Wrox guide is what you need to get up and running quickly on Visual Studio 2012. Written by a Microsoft Visual C# MVP, it guides you through the integrated development environment (IDE), showing you how to maximize all new tools and improvements. Offers programmers a fast way to IDE-centric programming success Demonstrates new IDE features, including the new Metro style app project templates and Windows 8 app store features Explains each feature, then illustrates the context in which it will help you solve problems Covers timely and essential topics related to rich client app development, web applications, application services, file configuration, debugging and testing, and more Helps advanced users customize and extend Visual Studio through the Automation Model, writing macros, working with the Managed Extensibility Framework (MEF), and more Provides ample detail for programmers who are new to Visual Studio 2012, as well as for experienced programmers exploring the advanced capabilities of the IDE Professional Visual Studio 2012 uses a unique, IDE-centric approach to help you get up and running quickly on this exciting new release.

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Customer Reviews

I canâ ™t decide if this book was worth the cost. It is basically an introduction to Visual Studio. Most subjects are not covered in enough depth to be of any real use. That is not totally the authorâ ™s fault. Visual Studio and the .NET libraries are so complex (too much so in fact) that many topics are best covered by entire books. The most useful things in this book are the mentions of new features

introduced with VS 2012 and review of those obscure features Iâ ™ve never noticed or bothered to learn about in the past. The trouble is, you pretty much have to read it cover-to-cover to discover such gems. If you are already familiar with Visual Studio, youâ ™ll spend a lot of time skimming familiar topics looking for those details.As others have noted, the type is small (probably necessary for such massive content). Far worse is the size of the figures illustrating screens, which are so small they are best viewed with a hand lens. Furthermore, a few figures are apparently not the ones described in the accompanying text. The grammar is places requires more than one reading and in a few spots is apparently just incorrect.This book might prove useful as a reference for certain environment features but you can probably find that information in the Help system. It is not a good reference if you are looking for in-depth coverage of the programming languages or technologies supported by Visual Studio 2012 and .NET 4.5.

In depth and good examples, with sample code. Great to help you get the most out of the new VS2012 quickly. I've been using it as a reference book and to learn the new ways VS2012 makes you do things. It eliminated making a lot of dumb mistakes, so the first big project was completed quickly (on-time) and worked flawlessly. I'm all for "printed" help, especially well-written help like this.

The book is extremely thorough and well written. The first section covers practically every option, where it exists and the options you have for getting started. If you're going cover to cover there's a lot of stuff you'll probably come back to after you're in the product for a while.It has been a few versions since I've been in the Visual Studio product so the author's insight in putting the book together is extremely useful to me as a low volume application developer.

A book on development environment Visual Studio 2012 may seem strange, because often we focus on a programming book, on a specific programming language (eg Visual Basic or C #).This book, then, comes out a bit from the norm, because it provides information on the IDE and on all of its features. This does not mean that inside there aren't code examples: if you look at the site that I mentioned at the beginning of this review, you can find many examples of downloadable code (VB and C #).However, the code examples in the book are primarily explanations of particular techniques and of specific features of Visual Studio 2012.The book can be useful, therefore, to both novice developers so they can learn all the things that you can do with Visual Studio 2012, and more experienced developers who can find a highly accurate reference to all features, including

these most advanced.The book includes topics that I find very useful, such as references to Windows Azure, to the Windows Store applications (Windows 8) , the unit testing and even six pages about programming in F # (as you have probably noticed, I started the study of this programming language ...) .All this combined with the extreme clarity of the text and of the graphic.Wrox never disappoints.

This book does cover all of the aspects of Visual Studio. It is a great read and if you want to master VS this is the book. I personally think that the time spent reading this book could be better spent reading coding books which is how I read (like a novel) but if you just want it for reference it is a perfect find.

Book has good material, but after using a computer screen for a while, I don't want to be subjected to small print in a tech book like this. Please correct me if I'm wrong, but there is no warning on that I know of that this book has small print!

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