Adobe ColdFusion 9 Web Application Construction Kit, Volume 1: Getting Started
Synopsis

Written by the best known and most trusted name in the ColdFusion community, Ben Forta, The ColdFusion Web Application Construction Kit is the best-selling ColdFusion series of all time - the books that most ColdFusion developers used to learn the product. This Getting Started volume starts with Web and Internet fundamentals and database concepts and design, and then progresses to topics including creating data-driven pages, building complete applications, implementing security mechanisms, integrating with e-mail, building reusable functions and components, generating data-driven reports and graphs, building Ajax-powered user interfaces, and much more. Complete coverage of ColdFusion 9 continues in "Volume 2, Application Development" (ISBN:0321679199) and "Volume 3, Advanced Application Development" (ISBN:0321679202).

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Customer Reviews

I was one of the first reviewers here at of Ben Forta’s books on ColdFusion back in the late 1990’s. Much has changed since then. Most things for better. It is amazing how ColdFusion has updated itself and stood the test of time, even when many new languages and platforms have been introduced. Ben Forta’s unique writing style, comprehensive but extremely clear and engaging, is still the same. Ray Camden is another great writer and it shows. One of the things (probably the most critical one) that has not changed for better has nothing to do with ColdFusion itself. The scarcity of books on ColdFusion 8 is amazing. And now with ColdFusion 9 the situation is worse. Even Adobe
itself has not published the three Ben Forta books of this series in time with the release of ColdFusion 9. And as of June 2010 two are still missing! Meanwhile there is no shortage of books on, say, Ruby. ColdFusion doesn't deserve this treatment. And many in the ColdFusion community are probably not happy with this situation. But it may change soon. ColdFusion 9 is the not only the latest but the best ever! As a recent Gartner's study puts it, "ColdFusion is nearly unique in the industry because it provides a balance of ease of use and advanced features that can support 'entry level' business unit application developers, as well as 'advanced' centralized IT development teams. (..) Most notably, ColdFusion is unmatched by any competitor for ease of use and technical capabilities. (..) Investments in ColdFusion technology are safe for the next five years and potentially longer." Among other things, ColdFusion 9 has some outstanding object-oriented frameworks, supports components, has a built-in ORM and can be greatly combined with CSS3 and Ajax and other, more recent technologies.

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