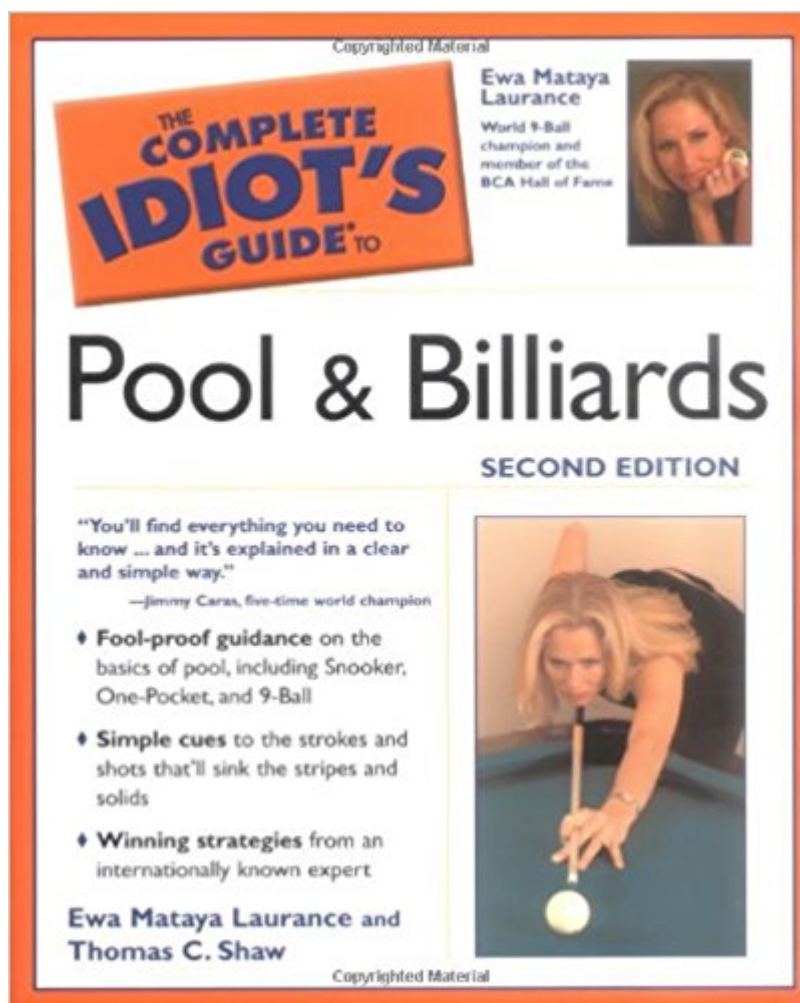


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# The Complete Idiot's Guide To Pool And Billiards, 2nd Edition (Complete Idiot's Guides (Lifestyle Paperback))



## Synopsis

When it comes to billiards, we control the table. Billiard games are some of the most popular pastimes in America, and *The Complete Idiot's Guide to Pool and Billiards* is the most comprehensive, easy-to-use guide to the subject on the market today. This updated edition includes:

- New sections on eight-ball and nine-ball; two of the most popular games
- An all-new section of show-stopping trick shots anyone can do
- Dozens of new photos and a completely updated resource section
- Updated Billiard Congress of America Hall of Fame
- A new overview on the multi-million-dollar market for TV tournaments

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Don't let this series of "Idiot Guides" turn you off to this great book. They are all written by different authors, and this author wrote a really good book, unlike some of the other idiot guides. I have just about every book on Pool and Billiards there is, and this by far is the best. For beginners, and people just getting into Pool that want a book, THIS is the one to get. It has information on EVERYTHING from what type of pool cue to get, to trick shots, and some real good advice. The ONLY thing I found odd, is when the author tells you to always put the chalk back on the table sideways instead of straight up. Just cross out that part, and the rest of the book is great.

I'm new to the game so I can't critically review every bit of advice in this book. However, I have a STACK of new books on pool and this is the only one that one can actually read from cover to

cover. All of Ms. Laurence's advice has been sound so far, and my game is moving along. Moving along very nicely, in fact, after some fumbling before I got this book. Perfect for beginners. She gets into some pretty advanced theory and practice, not just newbiw stuff -- but if she ever writes a book with "Advanced" in the title, I fully intend to buy it ASAP. I do wish there was a way to take a book to the pool hall without looking like a fool: this would be the one.

I am just learning about pool, and I found this book to be just what I needed. She clearly explains each issue, mostly in a very good order for learning them. My friends can't believe how quickly I have improved. Now I have to decide if I want to share the book with them or just start beating them.

I found this book very well written with good detail and explanations. When words were difficult, excellent pictures helped make things clear. I played pool for years but was unable to play for a long time. I bought the book as a refresher and was very impressed. It has helped me a lot to get back on track with my game. Any serious pool player who wants help with their game can benefit from this book. New players as well as old.

This book is ok. I bought it for one purpose and got what I wanted. I play pool and almost every one plays a little different. Some of her things are not like mine but I have not written a book. I also do not have the titles she does but for my age (73) and being in a wheelchair I do have a few trophies. I also can't practice 6 hours a day. I can say this, every time she is on TV I watch her. She is a great player and a wonderful person. A person can't go wrong following her instructions.

Nicknamed "The Striking Viking," this lady is "striking" in appearance (quite lovely) and at the billiard table. Her writing style is down-to-earth and easy to read and follow. For the beginner this is an excellent way to start learning the game and understand how to make balls on the table go where you want them to go.

This is a great reference book for both amateur and professional billiard players. It's very informative and you learn a lot just from one chapter. If you can buy it used, then you have found a true gem.

I could see where a beginner would benefit tremendously from this book. If you have playing experience, it will be less. The first 120 pages are dedicated to Ewa's history, history of the game and equipment. I would of preferred it greatly condensed. I had just read Byrne's New Standard

Book Of Pool and Billiards from which I learned a great deal. In Byrne's book there are numerous illustrations, which simplify things so much. I found myself reading lengthy descriptions in this book thinking a picture would be so much easier. There are some illustrations as well, just not to the extent of Byrne. I would think nearly anyone would could learn something from this book, obviously Ewa is a world class player. The book is well written and flows well. If you're a beginner, I highly recommend. If you're a higher level player, there are other books that would probably suit you better.

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