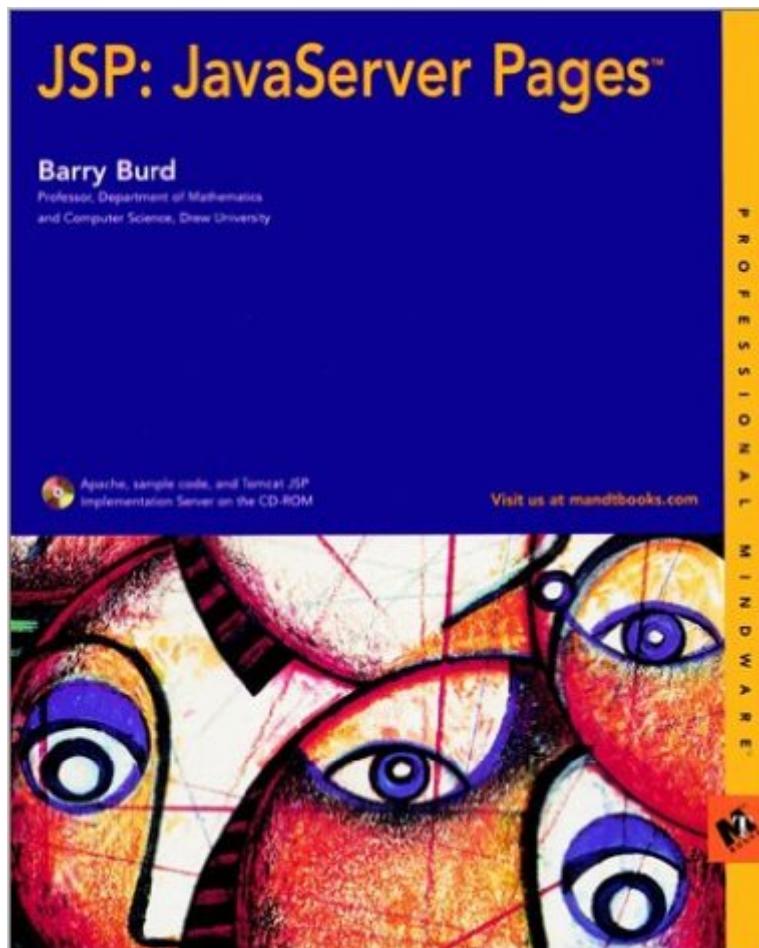


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JSP: JavaServer Pages (Professional Mindware)



Synopsis

This book presents JavaServer Pages in a clear, readable, no-nonsense fashion. The book takes you through all steps in the creation of a JSP document -- including evaluating the usefulness of JSP in a real-world project, researching alternative approaches, planning and designing a Web site based on JavaServer Pages, coding a JSP document, testing and revising the document, making the document available on the Web, integrating the JSP document with existing pages on a Web site, and maintaining the JSP document. The CD includes Apache Web Server, .Tomcat JSP Implementation Server, and sample code from the book.

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It was very well written with lots of examples and with very clear and patient type of explanation. Pros: 1. The very clear and well-organized layout of this M&T Books is definitely a PLUS for easy reading. 2. Even though this book was written for JSP 1.0 or 1.1 that used a lot of scriptlets but the codes are not cluttered especially with Java Beans. 3. The online message board case study is one of the fine examples. Cons: 1. It has omitted the detail of how to compile the Java code especially those with packages. This may be tough for those who are new to Java programming. 2. Limited to Microsoft Access database. Since this is a Java related technologies, the cross-platform RDBMS should be used such as the freely available open source databases like MySQL and PostgreSQL (with cygwin). 3. The rather restrictive Hungry Minds, Inc. End-User License Agreement

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Yes, another (well-deserved) 5-star review. The author does not get bogged down in covering every feature of JSP but rather focuses on the ones that are either essential in practice or that help establish a conceptual foundation. The author is not only an expert in the subject, but understands the newcomer too. This makes the presentation highly effective. (My favorite example of this is his gentle JFK-esque warning in the introduction to Java Beans: "don't ask yourself why you may or may not need [JavaBeans]... Instead, ask yourself how can you integrate these ... into the way you think about solving programming problems".) One more point-- if you're an experience Java programmer, don't be put off by the fact that he explains elementary Java along the way. Those parts are easily skimmed over. This is the fastest way to get into the essence of JSP that you'll find.

Barry Burd does an excellent job covering what you need to know to come up to speed quickly. He covers all the bases and explains it in a way that makes it easy and fun to learn. I will be looking for more of his books in the future.

I bought this book based on the stellar reviews it has been given here. But alas, I have ended up disappointed. The book does have it's good points: a well-compiled CD, an easy to grasp and friendly style among the main ones. But what disappointed me is that though Mr. Burd assured me that I could do 90% of JSP without knowing a lick of Java (haven't tackled that one yet), I found myself lost most of the time; and now am left with the 10% rather than the 90. The reason that I found myself so frustrated is that as a professional web designer/programmer, I'm not content to simply copy code from a CD and let it at that - I'm the type that likes to write it from scratch, and you need thorough and complete explanations for that; something I didn't find in this book. Though the book seems to be directed at those with no previous knowledge of the field, I found it assumed much, and while I can't say I learned nothing about JSP and the Java language, I didn't come away from this book with much more than a handful of features of either, and a few vague ideas and definitions. Put differently, he skips much crucial information for those who really haven't had any exposure to JSP or Java. Perhaps after I learn Java this book will have more meaning for me - as such, I can't recommend it to anyone setting out to learn JSP. Though for those with a bit more background - go ahead, give it a whirl, it could be just what you're looking for.

The book provides an excellent basis for someone wanting to get into JSP coding, without the usual dribble that one gets from a 5000 page book. A really good buy.

I liked this book, very well written in simple english. Very easy to understand JSP's in and out.

A very good book. I enjoyed reading it. I found it easy to read. I would recommend this book to anyone who wants to learn JSP

Very good book for beginner. Personal opinion I learn when I write and practice to learn using the many excercises in the book. It got me started and well under way. If you send emails to Barry he will reply. I sent him one email and he replied! fast and helped me with answers to my questions on other books.

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