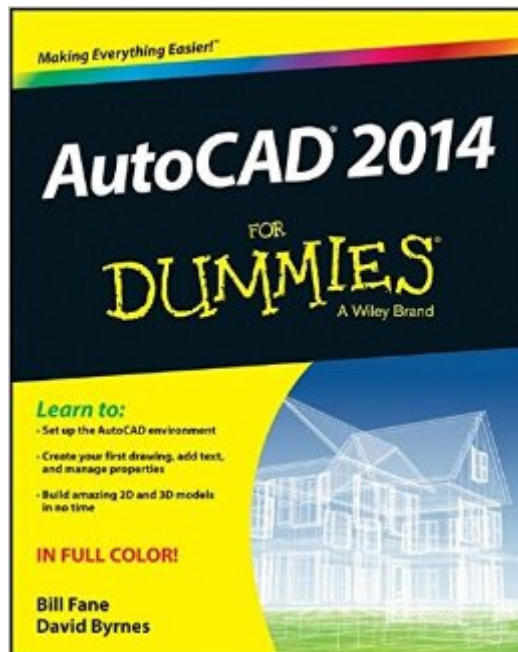


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# AutoCAD 2014 For Dummies



## Synopsis

Find your way around AutoCAD 2014 with this full-color, For Dummies guide! Put away that pencil and paper and start putting the power of AutoCAD 2014 to work in your CAD projects and designs. From setting up your drawing environment to using text, dimensions, hatching, and more, this guide walks you through AutoCAD basics and provides you with a solid understanding of the latest CAD tools and techniques. You'll also benefit from the full-color illustrations that mirror exactly what you'll see on your AutoCAD 2014 screen and highlight the importance of AutoCAD's Model view, which shows different line weights for printing in different colors. Covers the latest AutoCAD features and techniques, including creating a basic layout, navigating the AutoCAD 2014 interface, drawing and editing, working with dimensions, plotting, adding text, using blocks, and more Shows you how to make the best use of color in your AutoCAD designs, take advantage of the AutoCAD DesignCenter, and showcase your work to potential clients and customers Includes practical advice and guidance on real-world methods and tips used by architects, engineers, and other CAD professionals to create compelling 3D models and detailed technical drawings • You'll quickly get up to speed on all AutoCAD has to offer with AutoCAD 2014 For Dummies in your toolbox.

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Has your career path put you in a position where you need to know how to use AutoCAD? If it has, then this book is for you. Authors Bill Fane and David Byrnes, have done an outstanding job of writing a book that truly gets you going quickly with AutoCAD. Authors Fane and Byrnes, begin by

helping you ease into how to use AutoCAD to create engineering drawings and how to get started. In addition, they help you discover the half-dozen commands that account for much of your AutoCAD activities. The authors also expose you to the big picture, from start to finish; and, how to start a drawing to printing it. Then, they continue by correctly showing you how to set up AutoCAD and create templates to have drawing success. The authors then help you navigate through your drawing, by panning and zooming. Next, they help you draw linear things with the AutoCAD drawing commands; line up for lines and polylines; and, close up with rectangles and polygons. In addition, the authors describe how you can round the curves with circles, arcs, splines, and clouds; employ eccentric ellipses; dunk for donuts; and make your points. In addition, they show you how to type coordinates at the keyboard; get to know the AutoCAD coordinate systems; snap to object features; and, use other precision drawing and editing techniques. The authors also introduce you to object properties: One set of AutoCAD tools and techniques that can help prevent you from making CAD messes. Then, they continue by showing you how to use command-first editing; select objects with maximum flexibility; and, edit with grips. The authors then introduce you to the primary edit commands in AutoCAD. Next, they explain how to set up layouts in paper space for efficient plotting.

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