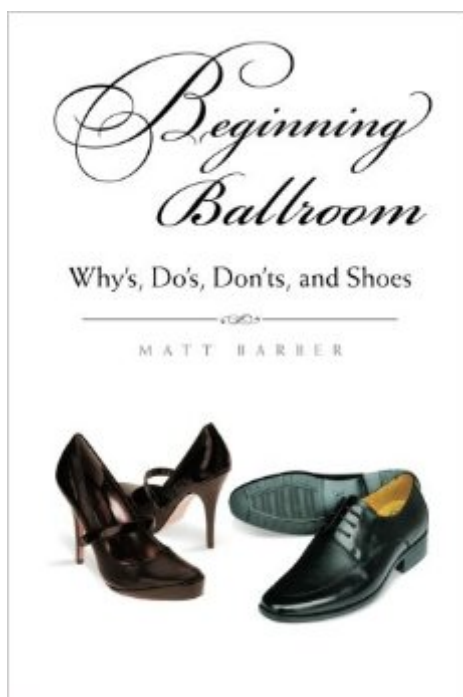


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## Customer Reviews

I thought I had already reviewed this, but I somehow missed it. I was looking it up to buy as a gift for a fellow ballroom dancer and realized I needed to respond. My husband and I have been taking lessons for about the last 18 months and I've been looking for books that aren't just about, this is that figure etc. The author put in words the kind of thing new dancers need to feel comfortable in this new, exciting and even scary environment. He's funny, informative and insightful. As soon as I finished reading it, I re-read it. As the title states, it's not for advanced dancers, but even people who are well on their journey will enjoy it and find something new.

I've been learning to ballroom dance for 15 years, and in many ways I'm still a beginner, so this book is more than appropriate for someone with my experience. In fact I doubt there's many ballroom dancers (who aren't professional dancers) who couldn't benefit in major ways from this professionally written, edited, and well-thought-out concise book. Beginning Ballroom: Why's, Do's, Don'ts, and Shoes, 2nd Edition has definitely benefited me. For instance: As a lead, I no longer even think about keeping anything in my right pants' pocket when I head to a dance. Also, I take notes during my dance lessons, and study them. I also have stories to tell myself that have improved my waltz (I'm dancing with the queen of England and showing her off to her subjects), foxtrot (we're living in an ideal society, isn't it grand!), and tango (read Matt Barber's book to find out

what my story might be). Enjoy.

Wonderful book! Full of so much useful information and written in an incredibly understandable and entertaining style! My own dancing has already covered much of what Matt writes about, so I'm seriously hoping he will write one for us "intermediate" dancers! Please!!

As a student of ballroom for the last 3 years I recently read this great book on beginning ballroom! Oh how I wish I had this book from the very beginning of my dancing instruction. Written with a humor but excellent information and helpful tips on many aspects of ballroom dance. I highly recommend this book for anyone about to begin a journey into ballroom dance, whether for fun or on a competitive level. Matt Barber answers many questions that a dancer needs to begin ballroom on the right foot!

As a student of Matt's, I can tell you that his devotion to his craft and to his students runs deep. His love for dance shines through in every lesson! It also shines through in every word of this book. Matt manages to fit a wealth of information into these pages without overwhelming even a beginner student like myself. He has some really astute and inspired ideas to help you become a better student of dance. And the best part is, he presents them in a truly accessible and engaging way! I thoroughly enjoyed this book and know it will serve as an invaluable resource for me as I work to become a better dancer. Thanks, Matt!!

Reading and dancing...do these two really go together??!!??....-I've been dancing and competing in ballroom dancing for almost four years and before reading this book I would have answered my opening question differently. Matt Barber's book is an easy read that is helpful to not only beginners but "seasoned" dancers as well. People learn information in a variety of ways (eg. Hearing, writing, doing, and reading). By being informative yet down to earth and funny this book enhances one's learning of ballroom dance. I would definitely recommend this book to everyone I know!!

I have taken lessons from Matt Barber for about 3 months. From the first page, it is evident that not only is he very knowledgeable about ballroom dancing, but has a passion for dancing that comes from his heart and soul. I read this book and it truly helped the pieces to fit in the beginning steps of my ballroom journey. This makes this gifted man the kind of teacher that makes this true beginning ballroom dancer feel like she can not only dance, but fly.-Amy Miller

I've enjoyed this book so much! What great content! I'll refer back to it many times. I will order some more copies and pass it along to my friends that are new to beginning ballroom. It is a must have! Matt Barber is a great dance instructor! Thanks again!! I'm so happy with this purchase. ~~Lets dance~~

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