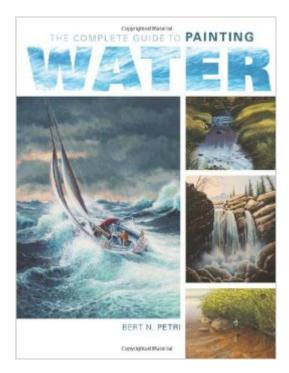
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# The Complete Guide To Painting Water





## Synopsis

From Puddles to Oceans ... every painter's guide to capturing the magic of water!Years of studying, painting and sailing on water have given Bert Petri an intimate understanding of this celebrated subject. In this book, he shares everything you need to know to paint enchanting yet realistic water scenes - from tranquil reflections to tumultuous white water, from a single dewdrop to the high drama of the open sea.24 step-by-step demonstrations cover a wide variety of seasons and settings, including ponds, puddles, streams, rivers, lakes, oceans, waterfalls, even fountains and water in still life.Includes instruction on how to paint elements common to waterscapes, such as rocks, shorelines, bridges and boats.Features instruction and inspiring artwork in oils, acrylics and watercolor.This book teaches techniques for painting based on the nature of water itself (how it reflects and refracts light, how it moves, how waves are born and more), making it a comprehensive and valuable reference for artists working in any style or medium.

### **Book Information**

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Hi.If you want to know everything there is to know about water, this book is definately the one. It is an excellent guide and I feel like I'm taking Petri's own class as I'm reading it. I think this is THE BEST guide on painting water. He doesn't go into great details, however I don't see the need for it since he explains the basics which is all that's necessary. Painting water as he teaches in this book is very simple, and easy to follow/understand instructions which is really all you need to make water in a painting believable. What more is needed? This book is great for the beginner or intermediate level. His techniques on water are however slightly different-depending on watercolor, acrylics, or oils. So yes, this book is for any type of paint-but the best is oils even though you can get similar effects with watercolor. In the first chapter he tells you what supplies/materials may be needed in order to paint. Brushes for either watercolor, acrylic, or oils. He explains which colors you may want to use and what kind of pallet you can use for what types of paint. He also explains a good way to set up the colors onto the pallet. He also tells what kind of easel or table can be used for oil, acrylics and watercolor. Chapter 2 is really wonderful. He explains the science of water and how it is effected by movement, light, and the height or view point you see it. He teaches how water is transparent(but can have color due to particles in the water and sky color reflected on it) and is like a mirror being reflective. He teaches how to make water appear transparent, have color, and how to create reflections of any object of nature (even boats) in this book to make realism and believable water. All the properties or facts of water you can think of he explains.

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