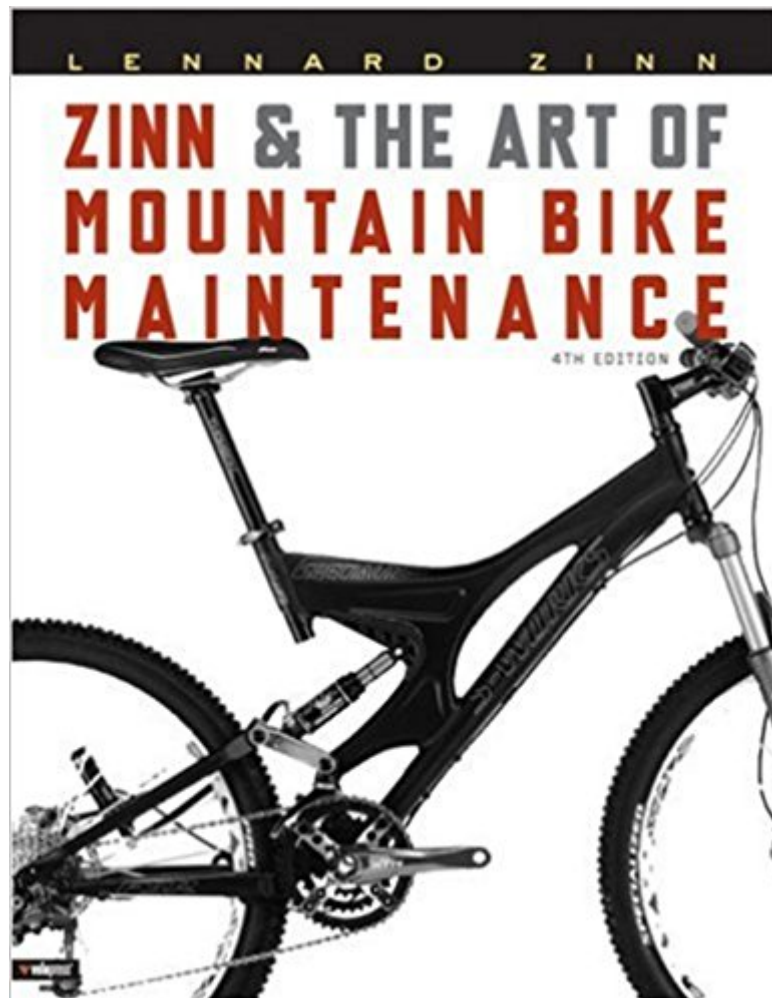


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# Zinn And The Art Of Mountain Bike Maintenance



## Synopsis

The most concise, well-organized, and clearly illustrated reference available, Zinn and the Art of Mountain Bike Maintenance gently guides the reader "regardless of mountain bike experience or mechanical prowess" through every aspect of maintenance, repair, and troubleshooting in a succinct and easy-to-read format and presents the latest technological advances and equipment in mountain bike components. Detailed diagrams and simple instructions explain everything from repairing a flat tire to building a wheel. The instructions are useful for anyone interested in mountain bikes, yet concise and complete enough to cover every state-of-the-art technical concern facing today's mountain biker. This timely revision offers updated information on shock pump adaptors, master links, V-brakes, cleat mounting and pedal overhaul, oversize handlebars, carbon steering tubes, tubeless rims, and much more. Repairs are rated for degree of difficulty while line drawings illustrate how parts fit together and show the tools needed to keep bikes in top shape and pedaling smoothly both on and off the trail.

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Davis Phinney, Olympic medalist, U.S. Pro

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I have had many years of wrenching on cars and bikes alike. I felt that this book was a great all-in-one general maintenance book for Road Bike Maintenance. It does not give every single detail that is possible for all parts (e.g. shimano brakes, it doesn't tell give you a parts breakdown like one would if you went to the manufacture site and downloaded their technical documents).\*\*\*TIP for specific instructions for bike parts: most manufactures will post up online detailed technical specifications for each part and some will even post a parts breakdown document as well. Many of

my opinions are also formed based upon my maintenance use and ownership of the Park Tool Big Blue Book 2nd Edition (which should be the current edition). Hands down, this book is much better than the Park Tools book, for it is much more detailed in many areas that the Park Tools book lacks. This book covers most of the popular designs and manufactures (e.g. different shifting systems including campagnolo, shimano, and sram). It also details the differences between the companies as well on certain parts that need attention because of the unique design by the company. The book does a great job at sorting the different repair tasks by three different levels, which most takes I feel are generally level 2. Not only that, it also gives an overview of different type of maintenance tool sets one should have from level 1, the basic level tool kit for the beginner, to level 3 + tools that a shop should own. Zinn also explains each of the parts for every kit level as well. I feel they do a pretty good job overall on giving a easy to follow guideline as to what common tools are needed for each of the different levels of repair difficulties. For the new bike maintenance person, this book provides a comprehensive view of what it takes to wrench on a road bike (which I believe just about everyone can manage (if they proceed carefully and slowly). Also, the writing style is extremely simple to follow and believe or not written in an encouraging manner that it makes a person feel they can repair anything on their road bike. This book does not give advise onto which brands to get for all the tools (although they do have some recommendations for certain tools interspersed throughout the book). But it gives enough advise to pretty much get most things and help guide a person onto which tools to look for and which ones may be avoided. This is a great book for those who do not have an all-in-one reference book. It is cheap and affordable and definitely worth the small amount you pay for it. I don't know right now if it is offered as a digital book, but if it ever does, I'd personally continue to pick up the paper version, since having a physical book in the workshop is much better than digital! Happy Wrenching!

Absolutely amazing book that is clear and concise. I believe I can maintain my bike without having to go to the shop anymore, especially after this purchase. The graphics and text work really well. My new garage bible :D.

So, I'd like to preface by stating that this book is great. It provides detailed information and pictures for reference. It covers different kinds of bikes, the tools needed to maintain them, and how to install parts and troubleshoot problems. Truly a thorough explanation of nearly everything for any kind of rider. With that being said, everything I have learned about maintaining my bike has been from youtube channels. I've had it for a year and used it one time when I was researching parts and

building my first bike. I will undoubtedly use it again when I attempt a second build for an entirely new form of riding. Great to have lying around and very clutch in the moment when you need it.

The book has clear instructions with good drawings to guide the user, and it covers most things you would need to do to maintain or repair most types of road bikes. I say "most" because three speed bikes and shift mechanisms are not covered, which is an area I'm interested in (I'm on the hunt for cool old Raleighs and similar vintage bikes). It does cover what I need for the bikes I actually have, which (like me) are also vintage - the newest is twenty years old and the oldest is going on 40!

It's true~ ~ This book really saved me some money by letting me know exactly how to fix my bikes problems. I was able to stop a bike chain problem, brake problem and gear shift problem by using this book.

I think this is probably good for a beginner who wants to start with a book. For that purpose this book is first rate. The illustrations are fantastic. IMHO it's not as deep as it needs to be for my interests. For example the section on brifters says to simply replace a unit that is not working properly. I still would have liked to see an exploded view of the whole clockwork and an explanation of how complicated is the teardown. In 2015 for most folks I think it's probably best to assemble your own Pinterest/file cabinet of resources on bicycle maintenance. During the time I've had this book I've learned more from YouTube than from the book.

I haven't ridden in years. I bought a NIB bike off Ebay for a steal and decided to try my hand at assembly. I bought this book along with a few tools with the understanding that if I took the bike to the shop they wanted \$50 on average and I'd have to return for adjustments after the first 100 or so miles...so another \$40. I figured I could at least be able to learn how to do basic/regular maintenance from this book to pay for the few tools. So far so good. This is a pretty thorough book covering all areas of the bike, tools, maintenance, overhaul and different part manufacturers. I think the only thing I wish it had was color photos vs line drawings. Other than that it's a nearly perfect book for beginners and I suspect even intermediate/expert bikers looking to handle 75% of their own repairs/maintenance issues.

This book is fantastic. The introduction breaks down various tools for different levels of repair difficulty, as well as giving you basic information for caring and maintaining your bike. From there,

the chapters are broken down into the various components of the bike with many cross-references to other sections for ease of use. Overall, I would highly recommend this book to anyone wanting to become more serious about cycling and understanding how bicycles are designed and repaired.

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