

Sketchup User Guide

Model and print your own 3D creations using SketchUp! Get up and running fast in the consumer design and fabrication world using the hands-on information in this guide. 3D Printing and CNC Fabrication with SketchUp features step-by-step tutorials of fun and easy DIY projects. Learn how to create your own 3D models, edit downloaded models, make them printable, and bring them to physical life either on your own printer or through an online service bureau. Download and install SketchUp on your Mac or PC Navigate the interface and SketchUp's native design tools Download design and analysis tools from the Extension Warehouse. Edit models downloaded from the 3D Warehouse and Thingiverse. Import and export STL files. Analyze your projects for 3D printability. Set up, use, and maintain a home 3D printer Work with AutoCAD, 123D Make, 123D Meshmixer, and Vetric Cut2D Generate files for CNC cutters

Go beyond the basics: making SketchUp work for you Architectural Design with SketchUp, Second Edition, is the leading guide to this incredibly useful tool for architects, interior designers, construction professionals, and makers. With easy to follow tutorials that first brush up on the basics of the program and then cover many advanced processes, this resource offers both informative text and full-color illustrations to clearly convey the techniques and features you need to excel. The updated second edition has a new chapter that explains how to make things with SketchUp, and covers 3D printing, design to fabrication, CNC milling, and laser cutting. Other chapters also now cover Building Information Modeling (BIM) and 3D web content generation. Additionally, the revised text offers insight into the latest products and plugin extensions, navigation methods, import/export options, and 3D model creation features to ensure you have an up to date understanding of how to make SketchUp help you meet your project goals. A leading 3D modeling application, SketchUp features documentation capabilities through photorealistic renderings and construction drawings. Because of its ease of use and ability to be enhanced with many plugin extensions for project-specific applications, SketchUp is considered the tool of choice for professionals in the architecture, interior design, construction, and fabrication fields. Access thoroughly updated information in an easy to understand writing style Increase your efficiency and accuracy when using SketchUp and refresh and supplement your understanding of SketchUp's basics Explore component-based modeling for assembly, scheduling, collaborative design, and modeling with a BIM approach Find the right plugin extensions and understand how to best work with them See how easy it is to generate presentation-ready renderings from your 3D models Learn how you can use 3D printing, CNC milling, and laser cutting to make things with SketchUp Use cookbook-style Ruby coding to create amazing 3D objects Supplement your knowledge with video tutorials, sample files, and Ruby scripts via a robust companion website Architectural Design with SketchUp, Second Edition, is an integral resource for both students and professionals working in the architecture, interior design, construction, and fabrication industries.

Go 3D with Google's exciting architectural design software for Mac and Windows Whether you need to learn 3D modeling for business or you're just eager to see what you can create, Google SketchUp and Google SketchUp 8 For Dummies are for you. Available in both a free hobbyist version and a full-featured professional version, SketchUp explodes the myth that 3D modeling software must be complicated to learn and use. This book will take you step by step through downloading and using both versions on both Mac and Windows. There are even video walkthroughs on the companion Web site. Google's exciting 3D modeling software offers hobbyists as well as architects, engineers, and industrial designers a less complicated tool for architectural rendering, urban planning, set design, game design, and other uses This guide explains both the free and professional versions for both Windows and Mac Covers the basic concepts of 3D modeling and how to build a 3D model, print or share your work online, export your drawing to another design package or Google Earth, and create a detailed set of plans Companion Web site features video walkthroughs Google SketchUp 8 For Dummies gets you up and running with 3D modeling quickly and easily.

With SketchUp Success for Woodworkers, any woodworker can download SketchUp and be drawing helpful, detailed woodworking plans like a pro in no time at all. An affordable, simple, and powerful 3-D design program, SketchUp can be used to create models and plans for anything a creative mind can imagine, especially simple to elaborate woodworking projects and plans. After many years of using SketchUp, David Heim, an expert woodworker and writer, has developed a simple set of rules for success that will guide you in mastering this potent program. With SketchUp Success for Woodworkers, any woodworker can download SketchUp at breakfast and be drawing detailed and useful plans by dinnertime. Easy-to-understand instructions, screen shots, and step-by-step projects make it easy to unleash the valuable benefits of SketchUp to create the models and plans that will transform your woodworking design process and elevate your woodworking output.

SketchUp is an all-purpose 3D modeling tool. The program is primarily developed around architectural design, but it can be used to model just about anything. It is an easy way to quickly communicate your design ideas to clients or prospective employers. Not only can you create great still images, SketchUp also is able to produce walk-thru videos! This book has been written with the assumption that you have no prior experience using Google SketchUp. With this book, you will be able to describe and apply many of the fundamental principles needed to develop compelling SketchUp models. The book uses a series of tutorial style exercises in order to introduce you to SketchUp. Several pieces of furniture are modeled throughout the book. The process is broken down into the fundamental concepts of 2D line work, 3D extraction, applying materials, and printing. Although the book is primarily written with a classroom setting in mind, most individuals will be able to work through it on their own and benefit from the tips and tricks presented.

This book is filled with examples explaining the theoretical concepts behind them. Filled with sample screenshots, diagrams, and final rendered images, this book will help

readers develop an understanding of photographic rendering with V-Ray. If you are a SketchUp user who would love to turn your favourite modelling application into a 'virtual photography studio', then this book has been designed and written for you. Existing V-Ray users will also find plenty to enjoy and benefit from in this book. Some basic experience with SketchUp and familiarity with photography will be helpful, but is not mandatory.

The site designer's guide to SketchUp's powerful modeling capabilities SketchUp for Site Design is the definitive guide to SketchUp for landscape architects and other site design professionals. Step-by-step tutorials walk you through basic to advanced processes, with expert guidance toward best practices, customization, organization, and presentation. This new second edition has been revised to align with the latest software updates, with detailed instruction on using the newest terrain modeling tools and the newly available extensions and plug-ins. All graphics have been updated to reflect the current SketchUp interface and menus, and the third part of the book includes all-new content featuring the use of new grade and terrain extensions. Developed around the needs of intermediate professional users and their workflows, this book provides practical all-around coaching on using SketchUp specifically for modeling site plans. SketchUp was designed for usability, with the needs of the architect, industrial designer, and engineers at center stage. This book shows you how the software's powerful terrain and grade functions make it an ideal tool for site designers, and how to seamlessly integrate it into your workflow for more efficient design and comprehensive planning. Master the SketchUp basics, navigation, components, and scripts Turn 2D sketches into 3D models with volume, color, and material Create detailed site plans, custom furnishings, gradings, and architecture Learn sandbox tools, organization strategies, and model presentation tips SketchUp has undergone major changes since the publication of this guide's first edition, with its sale to Trimble Navigation bringing about a number of revisions and the availability of more immediately useful features. SketchUp for Site Design shows you how to harness the power of this newly expanded feature set to smooth and optimize the site design workflow. A practical guide to SketchUp addressing the specific needs of interior designers Already a common and popular tool for architects and landscape architects, SketchUp is increasingly finding a place in the professional workflow of interior designers. SketchUp for Interior Design is a practical introduction for interior designers and students who want to learn to use the software for their unique needs. The book covers the basics of creating 3D models before showing how to create space plans, model furniture, cabinetry, and accessories, experiment with colors and materials, incorporate manufacturers' models into project plans, and create final presentations and animated walk-throughs for clients. Each chapter includes clear explanations and helpful illustrations to make this an ideal introduction to the topic. Includes downloadable sample models and 39 tutorial videos Features sample questions and activities for instructors and additional online resources for students and self-learners Provides instruction on using SketchUp in both PC and Mac formats

The SketchUp to LayOut book is the essential guide for woodworkers, carpenters, architects, contractors, builders, and designers who already know the basics on how to use SketchUp, but are looking to create stunning presentations to visualize their ideas with their clients using LayOut. Learn the workflow for creating models specifically for LayOut Before you even begin modeling that first rectangle, you'll need to fully understand which type of model you should be building for LayOut. Don't make the mistake of creating twice the amount of work for yourself because you didn't properly organize your model ahead of time. I'll teach you how to save time and frustration by organizing your model so YOU are in control of how your model viewports look. The entire first half of the book is dedicated to preparing your model for LayOut. From organizational workflow, to scenes and styles. I share with you my 5 point method I use to visualize and prepare every scene I create for LayOut. Not only will you understand exactly what those five points are, you'll learn multiple ways to control them. Using these methods, you will gain complete control over the look of your viewports in LayOut. You will master every aspect of a SketchUp scene and style, to enable you to create impressive presentations and drawings in the least amount of time possible. Is this too advanced for me? This book is designed for construction professionals who don't have any prior experience in LayOut at all. But it's also structured in a way that lets you look up specific tasks or methods without having to read the book cover to cover. I'll save you all the time and frustration that I went through when I first learned LayOut by quickly orienting you with the workspace, then jumping right in to creating your own titleblock, inserting SketchUp models, and adding dimensions. You should have some basic knowledge on how to use SketchUp. But if you're just starting out, you'll have complete access to my entire library of tutorials and videos for free on my website to bring you up to speed quickly. Every important aspect of LayOut is explained in the book, with step by step instructions for you to follow along. Learn exactly what you need to know and skip over all the little details you don't need to worry about. The book has been updated for 2014 so you'll even learn about the new Auto-Text tag feature, saving you a ton of time on those redundant text edits. You'll see REAL examples The sample projects in the book are real projects, not hypothetical meaningless shapes and boxes, so you can see exactly how to apply the concepts you learn in context with the real world. Plus, the SketchUp and LayOut files are included with each book download so you'll be able to follow along and discover for yourself how to organize a similar project of your own. The sample projects include a woodworking table project, a kitchen project, and a three story house project. At the same time, each step by step instruction can be read and followed independently from the project. So if you need to go back and reference a certain part of the book to learn how to do something specific, you'll be able to do that too. Advanced Techniques I've consulted with many of the best SketchUp gurus in the world! I've hung out with Nick Sonder at the SketchUp basecamp conference. I've interviewed Aidan Chopra, SketchUp evangelist and author of "Google SketchUp for Dummies", Eric Schimelpfenig from SketchThis.net, and Alexander Schreyer, author of "Architectural Design with SketchUp". I've also consulted with Mike Brightman, author of "The SketchUp Workflow for Architecture", Daniel Tal, author of "Rendering In SketchUp", and many other great SketchUp experts.

Create beautiful 3D models and presentations with SketchUp Pro and LayOut. SketchUp to LayOut, 2nd edition is a complete beginner's guide for learning SketchUp and LayOut. Effortlessly turn your ideas into 3D models using SketchUp, then document them in SketchUp's companion drawing program, LayOut. Even if you've never designed in 3D before, this book will guide you step by step. In addition to developing a complete understanding of SketchUp and LayOut basics, you'll learn advanced topics that will build upon your new skills: Learn the five steps to creating scenes in SketchUp that will give you full control over the look of your SketchUp models in LayOut. Master the most important modeling concepts, such as model organization, object visibility, tag theory, and level of detail, to become more efficient and enable faster editing of your projects. Discover several advanced techniques to develop custom workflows that work best for you and your preferences. The only book you'll need to master SketchUp & LayOut!

Discover the secrets of the Google SketchUp with the 16 real-world professional-level projects including parks, structures, concept art, and illustration. Google SketchUp Workshop includes all the wide variety of projects that SketchUp can be used for-architectural visualization, landscape design, video game and film conception, and more. SketchUp masters in every field will get you up to speed in this agile and intuitive software and then show you the real uses with through projects in architecture, engineering, and design.

Presented here is a detailed step-by-step guide to building a house model from scratch and transforming it into finished construction documents. Our book contains tips and tricks about how to go from a sketch to fully finished Plans, Sections, Elevations and Details. Each page is painstakingly designed to make it extremely clear how every step works. This course was formulated from years of experience not only using SketchUp in practise but teaching professionals and students from many different backgrounds. Written by an experienced architect who has used SketchUp to design and project-many types of jobs from a house extension to commercial office buildings, it has been shaped by extensive practise of design and building. Some of the best professional workflows you'll find anywhere are contained within the course material. Learning the tools is fundamentally important, but more than that we need to understand how tools and settings work together in the most effective way. Structured around a building project which was designed and project managed by the author, the course details all the steps required to construct walls, windows, doors, roof in a professional manner using correct naming procedures. Elements are organised according to best practise. Groups and Components must be correctly located to be truly effective, and a proper method for structuring elements is clearly outlined in a unique, comprehensive graphic. Each concept is clearly documented including Groups, Section Cuts, Styles, Scenes (or Views), Perspectives vs Orthogonal Views. Tools are each used in a challenging context so that the reader gets an in-depth understanding of how each works in practise. Pages are set out using ultra-clear graphics which link each step with a visual reference. Our model is built up in a way that follows the real-life construction process: Walls are laid out at the same time that floor slabs are formed; Windows are put in place inside the wall structure; Internal Walls are constructed and doors are inserted; Finally the roof is created complete with rooflights. The procedure for creating and locating Component Libraries is demonstrated. The model then undergoes a process of Section Cut placement. Scenes (Views) are set up using the Section Cuts; These constitute our Plans, Sections and Elevations. Textures are added to elements. Materials selection and creation is explained in detail. Following on from this is the creation of a construction detail based on the main model. Using a bespoke SketchUp model environment, the formation of a comprehensive 3D detail is illustrated complete with Scenes. Once the model and its views have been prepared, it is then ready to be placed into LayOut, SketchUp Pro's graphics interface. Each Scene is inserted into LayOut, sized and scaled. Notes and graphics are applied using text, callouts, lines. There is a unique section on creating a scaled 2D drawing in LayOut, using the program's vector graphics in a way that is as clear as any 2D CAD program. The Scrapbook Menu is a means of swiftly importing graphics that are both pre-loaded but can also be quickly added to. Procedures for creating our own graphics library is explained. Recommended sizes for text, line weights and dimensions are illustrated. Each menu in LayOut is explained in detail. There are five "Killer Keystrokes" included in the book. These are shortcuts that have a massive impact on modelling time and convenience. Creation of shortcut keys is also explained. In the introduction section there are explanations of SketchUp's BIM capabilities. Further details are linked on SketchUp Expert website, and links to BIM use-cases are provided. There is also a critique of 2D CAD and why SketchUp Pro is better to use for traditional CAD work. SketchUp has become the new "de-facto norm" for architecture and design professionals. There is simply no better way to illustrate design while translating into documentation.

The power of SketchUp, now specifically for builders. SketchUp revolutionized 3D content creation by making it easy for anyone to draw and design using this remarkably simple and elegant software. Now we have an exclusive SketchUp instructional video guide created expressly for builders, from the experts at Fine Homebuilding. Fine Homebuilding's SketchUp® Guide for Builders: The Basics is a concise video introduction to SketchUp that gets you up to speed fast. This exclusive version for builders will introduce the basic SketchUp tool sets from a builder's point of view and give you the ability to create visuals and plans of your projects to present to your clients. Essential lessons and a project to test your skills. Learn how to set up the program, use drawing tools, navigate in a 3-D space, sketch, and refine drawings. You'll get tips, shortcuts, and a handy cheat sheet. Plus, you'll get a practice lesson that shows you how to build a small cabin, starting at the ground and working your way up the building. You'll learn how to draw foundation, floor system, wall framing, roofing (trusses and rafters), and add details such as windows and doors that give the best presentation of your project. Perfect for any skill level – even complete beginners. And if you already know a little about SketchUp you'll see your abilities grow exponentially because Fine Homebuilding's SketchUp® Guide for Builders: The Basics is an easy-to-skim instructional video that lets you focus on what's new to you. Order your copy today and see how much more you can do!

A modern, comprehensive, and practical guide to help you master SketchUp. Whether you are looking to learn the basics or hone your skills and get winning tips, The Complete Guide to SketchUp Pro will give you the tools you need. This guide encompasses the entire software, demonstrates the complete set of commands, and is accompanied by examples, exercises, and screenshots. It is adapted to all versions of SketchUp and is suitable for professionals of the extended design community. In this step-by-step guide you will learn: how to incorporate advanced commands how to create an impressive presentation how to export data, while emphasizing the correct and most efficient ways of working in SketchUp Yael Kedem, interior designer, founder, and owner of SketchUp Center in Israel has a rich experience of mentoring thousands of people. In her book, she shares her knowledge to help you make your wild design ideas a simple reality.

No matter what your skill level is we have sketchup tutorials for you. Our growing library of tutorials take you step by step through different topics to help you really comprehend what you want to learn. We make every attempt to make sure that you can learn sketchup in a format that fits you best so we use both written and video tutorials. What are you waiting for? Check them out!

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The sure way for design professionals to learn SketchUp modeling and rendering techniques Rendering In SketchUp provides instructions for creating 3D photoreal graphics for SketchUp models using integrated rendering programs. The book serves as a beginner rendering manual and reference guide to further develop rendering skills. With an emphasis on step-by-step process, SketchUp users learn a universal approach to rendering varied SketchUp projects, including architecture, interiors, and site design models. The book focuses on tasks and principles at the core of photorealistic rendering, including: Rendering process: Learn a step-by-step process focused on workflow within SketchUp's familiar workspace. Universal method: Understand how the process can be used to work with a variety of different integrated rendering programs, including Shaderlight, SU Podium and Twilight Render**. These programs are easy to learn and function in SketchUp. > Textures and materials: Discover how to obtain, apply and edit texture images representing surfaces. Component details: Learn how to acquire and organize model details to allow for rich, expressive settings while maintaining computer and SketchUp performance. Exterior and simulated lighting: Learn to set exterior lighting with the SketchUp's Shadow menu or illuminate a scene with simulated lights, lamps, and bulbs. Render settings: Use specific

settings for various rendering programs to quickly set texture character, image quality, and graphic output. Computer specifications: Find out how computers produce renders and the type of computer hardware required to streamline the process. Photoshop post-processing: Learn how to further refine rendered images in Photoshop. **Free online chapters: The book reviews specific settings for SketchUp and the rendering plug-in Shaderlight. Given the ever-changing nature of technology, free, online accompanying chapters detail settings for additional integrated rendering programs including SU Podium, Twilight Render, and more.

"SketchUp is software designed to accommodate your personal design process. (Too often it is your process that must accommodate software.) Start with massing and loose proportions, and then add detail as you go. Or, if you need to draw more accurately, SketchUp can accept exact dimensions or exchange precision data with industry standard CAD systems at any time. Unlike CAD, you can approach design problems at the level of abstraction that is appropriate to your design goals, even as they change throughout a project." - page 8.

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Google SketchUp for Site Design illustrates a holistic approach to SketchUp: how it works and more importantly, what to do with it. Filled with tutorials from front to back, the book focuses on the start and completion of projects that include rich detail and expression. Each part and chapter of the book builds on the previous chapters and tutorial. You will learn how to approach modeling site plans, buildings and site elements: from modeling each of these exterior environment elements to piecing them together to generate a singular and expressive model. The book culminates with tutorials demonstrating effective and simple ways to include grades and terrain using the Sandbox tools and how best to integrate the entire approach with AutoCAD and SketchUp. Also included are links to supplemental on-line resources such as YouTube tutorials and free tutorial and example models from 3D Warehouse. The book is useful for all SketchUp proficiency levels including beginners, hobbyists, and professionals.

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The only comprehensive SketchUp guide written for builders and contractors SketchUp is a 3D modeling application used in areas ranging from civil and mechanical engineering to motion picture and video game design. Three-dimensional modeling is of obvious value to the building industry—yet resources for transforming architectural designs into reality is surprisingly limited. SketchUp for Builders is the first comprehensive guide designed specifically for builders and contractors, providing step-by-step instructions on incorporating 3D modeling into all phases of the construction process. Author John Brock draws from his 30 years of experience as a custom home designer and builder to provide practical advice on how to understand what you are building before it is built. This valuable guide demonstrates how to eliminate cost overruns, construction delays, and design flaws by integrating SketchUp modeling into your workflow. Emphasizing real-world practicality, this book covers all of the essential components of modeling a 3D construction project, from SketchUp fundamentals and object basics to importing construction drawings and increasing project efficiency with extensions and plugins. All phases of construction are clearly explained, including foundations, walls and floor systems, roof and mechanical systems, and exterior and interior finishes. Supplies a constructability process for efficient and cost-effective build projects Offers step-by-step guidance for creating construction documents, renderings, animations, virtual reality tours, and more Integrates SketchUp into all stages of the construction process Provides access to resources such as web tutorials, blogs, and the online SketchUp community Demonstrates how to generate construction documents with accompanying Layout software SketchUp for Builders: A Comprehensive Guide for Creating 3D Building Models Using SketchUp in an indispensable source of information for contractors and builders, architects, interior designers, landscape architects, construction professionals, and anyone seeking to create 3D models of the design and construction process.

Google SketchUp is the exciting free software package that makes 3D available to everybody. Whether you need to build 3D models for work, or you've just always wanted to explore 3D modeling, Google SketchUp was made for you. Still, it does take a bit of understanding to get started, so turn to Google SketchUp 7 For Dummies. In classic For Dummies tradition, Google SketchUp 7 For Dummies gets right to the point so you can start creating 3D models right away. You'll learn to: Set up SketchUp, learn about edges and faces, use inferences and guides, and build your first model Establish a basic end-to-end workflow for creating and sharing models Model non-boxy objects like terrain, characters, bottles, and spheres Add details like stairs, gutters, and eaves Spruce up your models with styles and shadows to add effects, make objects pop, and enhance realism Use the LayOut function to draw with vector tools, add text and callouts, and print your work Design buildings and objects, export your models to other design programs or to Google Earth, and explore 3D animation On the book's companion Web site, you'll also find a bonus chapter and videos demonstrating more about what you can do with Google SketchUp. Google SketchUp 7 For Dummies also shows you what SketchUp can and can't do, and offers tips for solving common problems. Add a new dimension to your work today!

"... the book is wonderfully illustrated with full color and descriptive images that complement each tutorial or exercise. Alex's teaching background really rings through as every item is nicely structured and very informative. Overall Alex's book is a winner. Well structured, illustrated and most of all easy to read and understand. While the overall theme is based in architecture, the techniques can be applied to any discipline and the wide range of topics covered are excellently delivered." -Richard O'Brien, CatchUp Editor, the official SketchUpation newsletter The one-stop guide to SketchUp for architects, designers, and builders SketchUp is the tool of choice for architects, interior designers, and construction professionals. Though the basics are simple to understand, getting the most out of it requires deeper instruction and guidance. Architectural Design with Google SketchUp uses easy-to-understand tutorials to describe both common and advanced process, illustrated throughout with full-color renderings. Handy sidebars throughout the book cover fundamentals and background information End-of-chapter exercises help

readers master new skills and techniques A robust companion website includes helpful videos, sample files, and plug-ins

Construction Documents using SketchUp Pro & LayOut by Paul Lee shows professionals & enthusiasts how to tie all the parts of SketchUp Pro together to produce drawings that were traditionally the domain of CAD. For the first time, by using Paul Lee's methodology it is possible to produce fully-fledged construction files from 3D model-centred information. Create wireframes of your model that describe the "CAD" detail. Learn how to make this information appear in plan, section and elevation scenes. Then use this information in LayOut to create top quality construction files. NOTE: The exercises in this book are concentrated into the creation of a simple set of drawings of a table in plan, section and elevation. This is a microcosm of the means by which larger drawings can then be produced. The companion SketchUp and LayOut samples for download illustrate this point. Please send feedback to the author: paul@visions.ie Thanks. A guide for leveraging SketchUp for any project size, type, or style. New construction or renovation. The revised and updated second edition of The SketchUp Workflow for Architecture offers guidelines for taking SketchUp to the next level in order to incorporate it into every phase of the architectural design process. The text walks through each step of the SketchUp process from the early stages of schematic design and model organization for both renovation and new construction projects to final documentation and shows how to maximize the LayOut toolset for drafting and presentations. Written by a noted expert in the field, the text is filled with tips and techniques to access the power of SketchUp and its related suite of tools. The book presents a flexible workflow method that helps to make common design tasks easier and gives users the information needed to incorporate varying degrees of SketchUp into their design process. Filled with best practices for organizing projects and drafting schematics, this resource also includes suggestions for working with LayOut, an underused but valuable component of SketchUp Pro. In addition, tutorial videos compliment the text and clearly demonstrate more advanced methods. This important text: Presents intermediate and advanced techniques for architects who want to use SketchUp in all stages of the design process Includes in-depth explanations on using the LayOut tool set that contains example plans, details, sections, presentations, and other information Updates the first edition to reflect the changes to SketchUp 2018 and the core functionalities, menus, tools, inferences, arc tools, reporting, and much more Written by a SketchUp authorized trainer who has an active online platform and extensive connections within the SketchUp community Contains accompanying tutorial videos that demonstrate some of the more advanced SketchUp tips and tricks Written for professional architects, as well as professionals in interior design and landscape architecture, The SketchUp Workflow for Architecture offers a revised and updated resource for using SketchUp in all aspects of the architectural design process.

The 2nd edition of Chopra's Google SketchUp provides key pedagogical elements, which help prepare readers for the workforce. The content provides real-world and applied material including better PowerPoint presentations and how-to animations. Additional features include updated content to reflect software upgrades and market use; new pedagogy elements and interior design; and more robust resources that will be appropriate for different users of Google Sketch. The book also addresses the similarities between the adapted title, Google SketchUp 8 for Dummies, and Google SketchUp 2. This includes a title that contains the core content and basic software how-to from For Dummies; revised TOC to reflect the course; and new material developed/written by writer and academic advisors/reviewers. This edition goes beyond the basic software use to teach on portions of SketchUp.

This book is designed for the interior designer wanting to use hand sketching techniques, Google SketchUp, and Adobe Photoshop together to create beautiful designs and presentations. This book will teach you how to come up with fresh new design ideas and how to save time by using these powerful tools and techniques. This book presumes no previous experience with any of these tools and is divided into three sections. In the first section you will learn to use SketchUp and Photoshop starting with navigating the interface and then learning their features. In the next section you will learn hand sketching techniques and how to combine these with digital tools. In the last section of the book you will complete an interior design project leveraging the tools and techniques you learned in previous chapters while learning a few new techniques along the way. The first two chapters cover computer basics, including managing files and knowing your way around the operating system. The next three chapters introduce the reader to SketchUp, an easy to use 3D modeling program geared specifically towards architecture. Chapters six and seven present the basic tools found in Photoshop, which is the industry standard raster image editing software. Once you have worked through all the technology related introduction chapters, you will explore four chapters on various aspects of hand sketching. These chapters mainly focus on interior drawing concepts. The final four chapters work through the concept design process for an interior fit out project. The intent is that the reader would recreate these drawings as they appear in the book. The goal is to focus on understanding the process and developing the required techniques rather than getting bogged down in design right away.

This book is a practical tutorial, packed with real-world case studies to help you design models that print right the first time. If you are familiar with SketchUp and want to print the models you've designed, then this book is ideal for you. You don't need any experience in 3D printing; however, SketchUp beginners will require a companion book or video training series to teach them the basic SketchUp skills.

This book is a guide for you on how to do 3D modeling with SketchUp. It begins by guiding you on how to get started with SketchUp by setting up the environment. The basic tools provided by SketchUp are then explored. You will learn how to achieve some tasks by use of the tools provided by the SketchUp. The process of controlling movement in SketchUp is explored. The book guides on how you can use SketchUp so as to draw a bowl. You will learn how to do this from the initial steps to the final steps of having your bowl readily drawn. You will also learn how you can use the skills or tools you have used to draw a bowl for drawing a dome or a sphere. Further, you will learn how to draw a pyramid after you have read this book. A polyhedron is also a common shape. This book guides you on how to draw model one in SketchUp. The book guides you on how to model a building from the footprint by use of SketchUp. You are also guided on how to model a vase and a table in SketchUp. Edges are also explored in detail. The following topics are discussed in this book: - Getting Started - Basic Tools - Movement Controls - How to Draw a Bowl, Sphere, or Dome - How to Draw a Pyramid - How to Create a Polyhedron - How to Model a Building from the Footprint - Drawing a Table - Drawing a Vase - Edges in SketchUp "SketchUp is software designed to accommodate your personal design process. (Too often it is your process that must accommodate software.) Start with massing and loose proportions, and then add detail as you go. Or, if you need to draw more accurately, SketchUp can accept exact dimensions or exchange precision data with industry standard CAD systems at any time. Unlike CAD, you can approach design problems at the level of abstraction that is appropriate to your design goals, even as they change throughout a project." - page 7.

SketchUp is an all-purpose 3D modeling tool. The program is primarily developed around architectural design, but it can be used to model just about anything. It is an easy way to quickly communicate your design ideas to clients or prospective employers. Not only can you create great still images, SketchUp also is able to produce walk-through videos! This book has been written with the assumption that you have no prior experience using Trimble SketchUp. With this book, you will be able to describe and apply many of the fundamental principles needed to develop compelling SketchUp models. The book uses a series of tutorial style exercises in order to introduce you to SketchUp. Several pieces of furniture are modeled throughout the book. The process is broken down into the fundamental concepts of 2D line work, 3D extraction, applying materials, and printing. Although the book is primarily written with a classroom setting in mind, most individuals will be able to work through it on their own and benefit from the tips and tricks presented. For a little inspiration, this book has several real-world SketchUp project images throughout.

Design almost anything in 3D with SketchUp Whether you've dabbled in drawing in 3D or are interested in learning the basics of design, SketchUp For Dummies makes it fast and easy to learn the ropes of a powerful, user-friendly tool to bring your design ideas to life. From creating a basic 3D model to showing off your work via 3D print or animation, this all-access guide pulls back the curtain on using SketchUp to do anything from redesigning your house to mocking up the next great invention. With an emphasis on usability, SketchUp has found very wide success as a tool even non-designers can use to make basic drawings. And now, thanks to the insight and expert tips from former SketchUp product director Aidan Chopra and co-author Rebecca Huehls, this easy-to-follow guide makes it more accessible than ever! Create buildings and components Alter the appearance of your model Tour your designs via SketchUp Get quick tips on troubleshooting If you're a designer with sketchy computer modeling skills, SketchUp For Dummies is the trusted reference you'll turn to again and again.

Beginning with a quick start tutorial which will get you up and running with SketchUp 2014 quickly, you will move on to learning the key skills you will need to wow your clients with stunning visualizations through a series practical steps, tips and tricks. If you are a SketchUp user, from an amateur right through to an architectural technician, professional architect, or designer, this is the book for you. This book is also suitable as a companion to any architectural design or multimedia course, and is accessible to anyone who has learned the basics of SketchUp.

If you want to learn to create 3-D models using Google SketchUp, this Missing Manual is the ideal place to start. Filled with step-by-step tutorials, this entertaining, reader-friendly guide will have you creating detailed 3-D objects, including building plans, furniture, landscaping plans -- even characters for computer games -- in no time. Google SketchUp: The Missing Manual offers a hands-on tour of the program, with crystal-clear instructions for using every feature and lots of real-world examples to help you pick up the practical skills you need. Learn to use the basic tools, build and animate models, and place your objects in Google Earth. With this book, you will: Learn your way around the SketchUp workspace, and explore the differences between working in 2-D and 3-D Build simple 3-D shapes, save them as reusable components, and use SketchUp's Outliner to show or hide them as you work Tackle a complicated model building with lots of detail, and discover timesaving tools for using many components Animate the model by creating an interior walkthrough of your building Dress up your model with realistic material shading and shadows, and place it in Google Earth It's easy to get started. Just download the program from Google.com, and follow the instructions in this book. You'll become a SketchUp master in a jiffy.

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