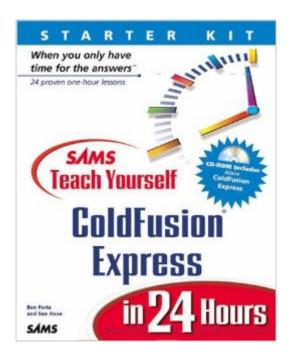
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# Sams Teach Yourself ColdFusion Express In 24 Hours





## **Synopsis**

Sams Teach Yourself ColdFusion Express is a step-by-step tutorial that teaches you how to turn basic Web sites into Web applications. From installation to database connection configuration, from tag and function usage to code reuse, this book helps you take advantage of Web application technology so you can take your Web sites to the next level. Learn how to interact with databases to create dynamic data driven web sites, how to perform intelligent server side condition and logical processing, how to create guest books, counters, and other server side applications, as well as how to create personalized and interactive Web sites.

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### **Customer Reviews**

Ben Forta is a rare combination of a technology educator who combines a writing style that is easy for web beginners to understand with cutting edge content that will challenge technology experts. An important reason for the popularity of Cold Fusion as an easy to use web application development tool among web heads is the excellent book by Ben Forta 'Allaire Cold Fusion 4.0'. Ben Forta's latest work 'Sams Teach Yourself Cold Fusion Express' continues that excellent tradition and is highly recommended.

This is a fantastic book! The first chapters' review of the client-server web dynamic is worth the price of admission alone. Excellently written! This book takes you from the beginning step-by-step to explain some advanced application development. A perfect choice to jump into working with

ColdFusion!!An added benefit is having ColdFusion express on the CD-ROM, with helpful installation tips that will help you get ColdFusion up and running quickly!!!Great work!!

I'm new to Cold Fusion and I spent a couple of hours at B&N yesturday evaluating all the books they had (the Dummies and Quick and Easy books specifically). Forta's book is hand's down the best of the bunch. I agree with the previous reviewer that there are some typos, but when you consider how easy he is to understand - especially compared to what else is out there - this is the book I bought.

I have just completed Hour 12. It has taken me many more hours than that!I have found this a very difficult book to study. All but one of the exercises have worked.....five BIG stars for that. The difficulty is that a lot of the language is in a type of double negative which is confusing. I have made corrections to my text on almost every page. Once through that, the content is good.I like the way Ben gives you less information in the later"To Do's". That makes you remember or go back!If it is good, why only 3 stars? ...... It has taken too long. Ben needed a better editor. I would have liked more help with the dreaded ODBC error 22005 in Hour 12 - still have not got it to work after 4 hours of research. On line help woul be good SAMS!

I picked up the book over a weekend & was coding on a project the following Monday. My background is in Java application server development & CGI, so web programming isn't new to me. However, I believe this would be a great jumpstart for beginners & more advanced developers alike. The book is a good tutorial & a lightweight reference. Download the cold fusion server documentation for a more complete reference set .... My only complaint is about installing Cold Fusion Express - it doesn't seem to recognize iPlanet or Apache webservers without a bunch of tinkering (I never got it to work) - so you may just want to stick with MS IIS for this version. Cold Fusion 5 is available for evaluation & works great with iPlanet. I would recommend the later if you are just using it as a single developer in a development environment.

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I can't say enough good things about this book. I have taken a Cold Fusion class about 2 years ago. This book was so much more helpful than that \$2000 class! Ben Forte and Sue Hove ease you into building your application, step by step. It is such an easy process. This is the best way to learn ColdFusion, by using ColdFusion Express for free! I was able to implement the form I needed on my website using Coldfusion Express and MS Access. You can view my pages at kdrdesigns.com/contact.html. Click on the Get Started link. I'm ready to purchase a copy of ColdFusion. I will now look for a book by Ben or Sue to move me to the next level. Good Luck!

As a professional ColdFusion programmer, I have thoroughly enjoyed reading this book from beginning to end. Ben Forta clearly describes all aspects of the ColdFusion Express application server from installation, CFML (Coldfusion markup language) to administration and security. I have really learned quite a few tricks from reading this book, and I would recommend it to anyone who is considering using ColdFusion platform.

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