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The Coffee Roaster's Companion is the world's first professional-level how-to book about coffee roasting. Scott Rao has been a roaster for over two decades and has consulted for hundreds of the world's finest roasters, using over 250 roasting machines in his career. Scott has put his expertise into this book to help educate roasters everywhere. No serious coffee roaster should go without this book.

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Joseph says

Easily the most concise and readable guide to roasting I have encountered. He mostly avoids the pitfalls of most roast guides by not speaking over the head of the average coffee roaster.

Julian says

Finally found a roasting book with solid technical information. Every other book I've seen/read is way too light, containing nothing more than I've already read on various websites and boards. While the book is clearly oriented towards commercial roasting operations, there's still solid information here for the keen home roaster.

John Crippen says

Wow. This is the first "trade" book I've read on coffee roasting. I really am just a hobbyist I guess. Oh well, I have some new roasting goals now!

Ariando Bram says

because I need this book for experience my coffee roaster

Jonathan says

Very helpful book to understand each part of roasting. I got a little lost in the technical stuff in the lst 1/3 but a helpful boo.

Justin Hall says

If you roast coffee or plan to this is a must.

It has a ton of relevant information and I look forward to putting some of the knowledge I have learned into my roastery!

It also has pictures... I love that!

the end

Love,
Justin

Ahuv says

Quite technical tips on roasting. Suitable for people working in or with a roastery.

Zach Zook says

Everything you want to know to get started. Loved it.

SlowRain says

This book offers quite a good introduction to roasting coffee. I wouldn't recommend it for someone as their very first exposure to coffee roasting, but if you've read a summary or two first, or even roasted a batch or two already, then this is the logical next step. Most of what I read in here I had heard before or had already assumed, but it's nice to have it so succinctly written in one place. His "3 Commandments" were new to me when this book was written, and I plan on giving them more of a try in the next few weeks.

While the science isn't too difficult for the layperson to grasp, this isn't exactly a detailed book regarding roast profiles. The author earns his living as a coffee consultant, so he seems to be keeping the best parts to himself. More in-depth discussion of roast profiles for different beans, roasters, and flavors are the only thing lacking, but that would take away from the entry-level nature of this book. Perhaps a second book could cover that material, but it may have to be written by another author who isn't worried about giving away trade secrets.

All in all, a good book and one more people should read. We need more people roasting fresh, tasty coffee. And, while it isn't really targeting hobbyists like me who roast coffee at home, it's good to get more of us doing it, too.