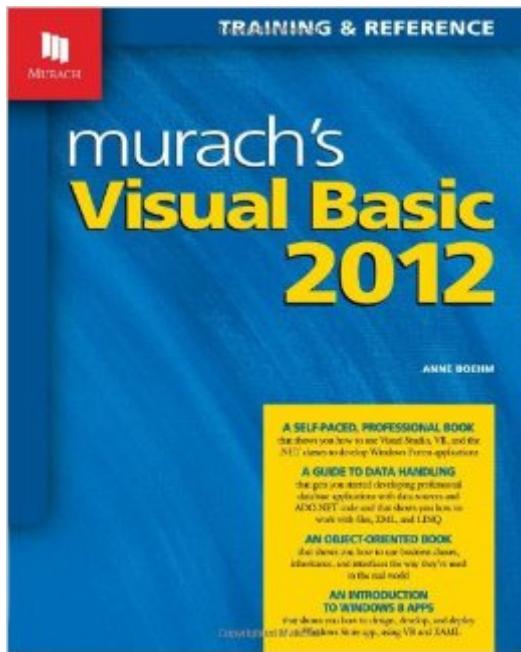


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# Murach's Visual Basic 2012



## Synopsis

This Visual Basic book has been a favorite of developers ever since the 1st edition came out in 2002. Now, this 5th Edition is a self-paced, professional book that shows how to use Visual Studio 2012, VB 2012, and the .NET 4.5 classes to develop Windows Forms applications. It's a data programming book that shows how to (1) prototype professional database applications using RAD features like data sources, (2) start using ADO.NET to work directly with databases for more control, and (3) use LINQ to query a variety of data sources, from databases to arrays to XML files. It's an object-oriented book that shows how to use business classes, inheritance, and interfaces the way they're used in the real world. It's a hands-on book that shows you how to develop your first Windows 8 apps and submit them to the Windows Store. When you're done, you'll be able to develop 3-tiered, object-oriented Windows applications the way the best professionals do. And you'll have the core VB and Visual Studio skills that you need to develop any VB application...whether for Windows, the web, or mobile devices.

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## Customer Reviews

It had been several years since I had done development work with Visual Basic and I needed a refresher on the subject. I am a big fan of Murach books, so it looked like this would be a good book to use. I am a database professional and there is a large amount of the book devoted to using Visual Basic with relational databases. The book did a good job of introducing enough of the subject to get started and then giving deeper dives into various topics in later chapters. The chapters end

with one or two exercises that the reader can complete to apply the knowledge they learned in the chapter. The coverage of object oriented programming principles was quite good. Section 1 of the book is Chapters 1 - 3 and is an Introduction to Visual Basic programming. This section is the first one hundred pages of the book and it is a very good introduction to Visual Basic. Chapter 1 is an Introduction to Visual Studio and it gives a good overview of it. It quickly covers Form Designer, Code Editor and the Solution Explorer. It also gave an introduction to working with Windows (the Visual Basic type). Chapter 2 jumped into designing forms and spent 40 pages covering the subject. I always like learning how to test programs and Chapter 3 was titled "How to code and test Windows Forms". The chapter contains a good introduction to object oriented programming using Visual Basic. I liked the coverage of properties, methods and events. Section 2 of the book covers the Visual Basic language essentials. This section cover control structures, procedures & event handlers, handling exceptions, validating data, using arrays & collections, working with dates & strings, forms & controls, multi-forms and message boxes. I found Chapter 11 a really nice introduction to classes.

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