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This is an AMAZING reference. It's not meant to be read cover to cover, but rather to be used as a quick reference during various stages of a project. I'd even recommend it to some extreme "DIYers"

very nice very useful

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Awesome resource, a must for any designer.

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