

Bob White's Card Magic - A Practical Approach



I recently had a chance to briefly view Bob White's most recent DVD, *Card Magic - A Practical Approach*. I like him and his magic.

His earlier works have been seemingly well received. Personally, I thought his work on the Malini Egg bag was exceptional and the *Torn and Restored Tissue* DVD can be considered the definitive work on the subject.

I'm not so impressed with his current effort. The theme of the DVD is uniformity of action. An unquestionably important and somewhat overlooked subject, but not ground breaking. Bob teaches his work on multiple lifts, the Elmsley count, the Gemini Count, false counts and a one handed Tilt. It's OK and I thought the work on the double lift was the best, but when it was over I found my self saying *so what*.

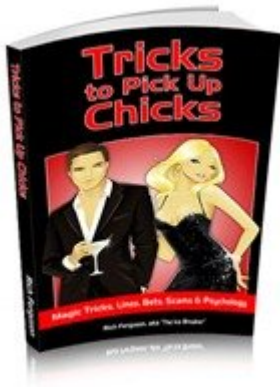
The tricks using the sleights taught are less than inspiring. Bob's not a showman and the tricks for the most part are pedestrian. There are about 10 of them. Others may find them better than I did.

Bob is one of the magic untouchables, so I don't think the reviews I've seen are particularly honest. It's difficult to criticize nice guys - especially underground legends.

Also, these are premium priced DVDs and this is not a premium product. Cut the price in half and it would be OK - at \$50 bucks? No way!

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I generally enjoy books more than DVDs – probably a function of age as much as anything else.



There are exceptions. I understand magic is dominated, today, by pubescent boys that use magic as a means of social interaction. That's not the guy on the front of *Tricks to Pick Up Chicks*. Obviously, blondie is ready to take him right there, due to the clever use of a thumb tip!

The DVD by the same name (there's probably a review on the site), at least, was decorated by several astonishingly beautiful women. I'm not sure why this was even produced, except we seem to be reissuing EVERYTHING that was ever written or filmed.

I see Murphy was it classified under *Comedy*. I don't find it funny.

At least it's inexpensive, you'll have plenty of money leftover to buy a few bottles of those pills that make your wang grow down to your knees. Every teenagers dream come true.