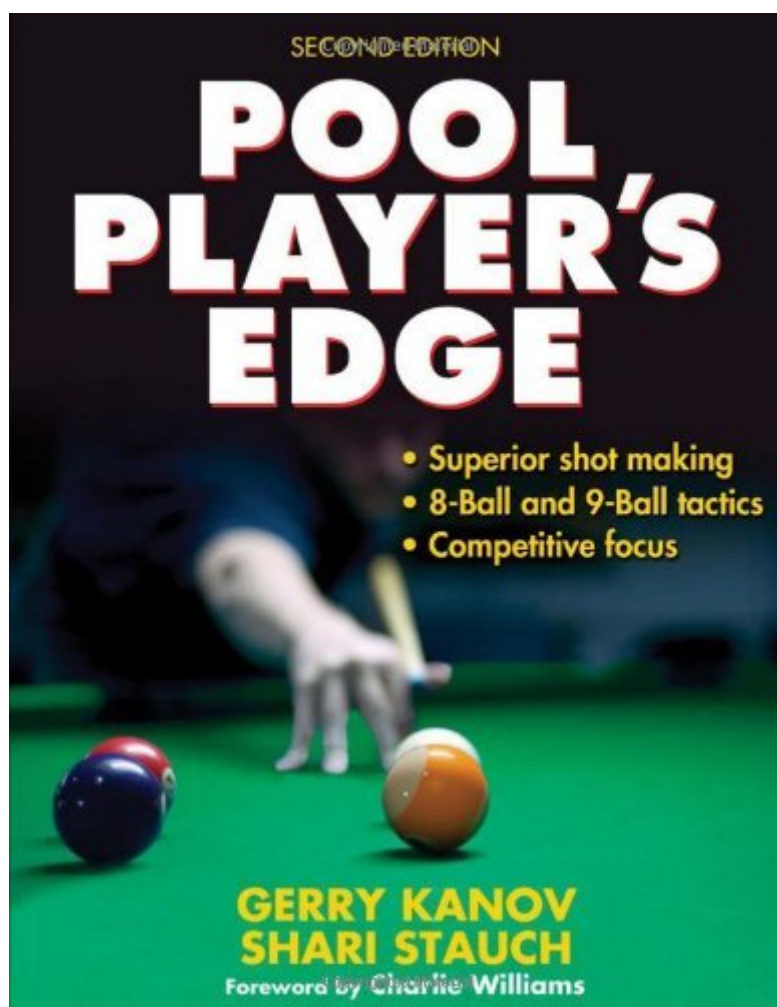


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# Pool Player's Edge - 2nd Edition



## Synopsis

The best-selling guide that helped countless players improve their game is now updated, expanded, and better than ever! With *Pool Player's Edge* you will sharpen your strategy and shot-making skills while mastering tactics and techniques in the four most popular forms of the game: 9-ball, 8-ball, straight pool, and one-pocket. In this new edition, billiards experts and tour pros Gerry "The Ghost" Kanov and Shari "The Shark" Stauch share their secrets on every aspect of the game. In *Pool Player's Edge* you will learn these skills:

- Perfect your aim and master your shots
- Control the cue ball
- Set the tone for the game with a power break
- Handle the most common and troublesome shots
- Map the table and set up shots
- Strategize your game
- Remain focused and unnerfed in competitive play

Step-by-step professional instruction and over 200 full-color detailed diagrams will show you how to take your game to the next level. Whether you're a league player or a seasoned professional, if you're serious about pool and looking for a competitive edge, *Pool Player's Edge* is your best shot. v

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## Customer Reviews

I just started shooting pool again last fall after taking about three decades off. I'm serious about improving my game. I paid for one lesson, bought a training DVD, and purchased four books. Hands

down, this book has been more helpful than anything else I've done. It is loaded with clearly presented advice that really works.

I've been a casual pool player for years and always assumed I had the basics down pat. Then I picked up this book out of idle curiosity while waiting on someone in the bookstore and discovered I didn't know a thing about the game. While reading the very first page, I realized that my stance was wrong and that I needed to consider foot placement, whether to bend my legs, how far to lean over, and several other factors that I'd never given the slightest thought to. Far from making it seem complicated, though, the authors made it seem clear, simple and obvious. I flipped through the first few chapters while still in the bookstore, bought the book, and went straight to a local pool hall, where the tips in those few chapters improved my game tremendously from the first shot. Since then, I've worked my way about halfway through the book and haven't lost a game in the two weeks since I bought it, even to the guys who beat me on a regular basis before. There are a lot of professional players out there who can play a brilliant game, but it's rare to find one (let alone two) who can pass that knowledge on to you in a manner that's so easy to understand and apply. Highly recommended.

No wonder the word "Edge" is in the title. That's exactly what this book gives you. I am a total novice player, picking up a stick every now and then at friend's houses during the occasional party. I typically do okay. But last weekend, after reading this book and picking up some tips (especially the great diagrams), I beat everyone at the party. Jaws dropped. I'm talking EVERYONE. So then the questions came about what in the world happened. I told them I read Pool Player's Edge. Read a chapter a night and really tried to take in all the book was teaching me. I highly recommend this book.

Lots of great stuff here. But unfortunately, like apparently every one else who writes a pool how-to book, they have trouble telling us what they mean. I think the problem is that a lot of what you learn as a pool expert becomes second-nature, and since that is not the realm of the conscious mind, writers know they got there, but no longer remember how, and so have difficulty explaining it. The other thing is that they are pool experts, and not expert writers. Expert writers rarely have the time to become expert at something else, and it is a rare subset of those who are both. But I have a dozen or so books, and this ranks among the best.

I have bought many books to help my game of pool throughout my many years of pool playing. It has helped me to improve. I especially like its sections on the basics such as stance, bridge and aiming. I am recommending this book to my pool friends.

Used to be a pretty good pool player. Due to circumstances, have not played in 15 years.. Now I moved into a 55+ community with all the amenities including a beautiful Billiard room. Well I found my old cue that I thought I sold at my moving sale. I went into the room, uncased my stick and started to shoot. To my surprise I could not sink a ball. I was all over the table. I spent days there practicing and was not getting any better. I went to check on some books I could download to my iPad. I found 4 books. The "Pool Player's Edge" was the best. I found out some of the basics that I forgot, (grip, stroke, follow through) Now I am close to what I used to be. If you are a serious pool player having a problem, this book will likely be a help to you.

I was reluctant to buy another billiard book, but I ordered, 'Pool Player's Edge'. I do enjoy reading and sometimes rereading my small library of billiard books because I do love the sport, but I had recently bought four other 'pool' books. This is a great book!! It's definitely my favorite - the content is excellent; it is presented on large very high quality paper with beautiful color illustrations. This book will benefit the social player wanting to improve or the league player of many years who wants to step his/her game up another level. I have never commented on a book purchase before, but I feel that this read is worth sharing. Enjoy.

This really is a very good book. It teaches you from the basic things like taking a proper stance, aiming, correct stroke etc all the way to strategy, defensive play, actually everything important is covered. Sorry for my English.

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