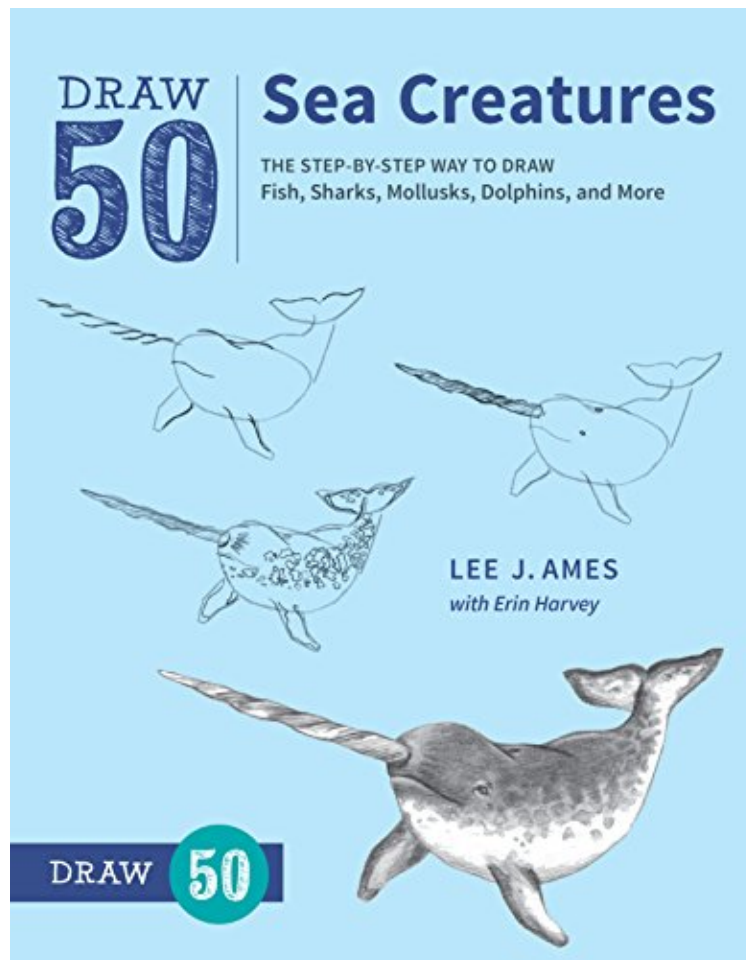


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0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Okay, but some examples were easier to follow than others By Debbie "Draw 50 Sea Creatures" is a drawing book. Except for some brief encouragement at the beginning of the book, there was no text describing how to draw the various figures. He usually provided 6 steps for drawing each sea creature. You build the creature by drawing the lines demonstrated in each step in the book. The final step showed the fully shaded-in plant or animal, but you're left to experiment to figure out how to create a similar shading on your line figure. Some of the animals with more complex texture patterns had "guides" drawn during step 5 to help you place

the shading in step 6. As I said, most of the figures had you add lines to lines to create the figure in steps 1 through 5 and then added shading in step 6. These were the easiest ones to do, in my opinion. Some figures had you draw guide lines in the first few steps (which are erased from the final drawing) before you start on the actual animal. I'd suggest looking at the whole sequence before drawing these as sometimes I found it easier to skip one or more of the guide line steps. The blade coral had so many guide lines and was so complex that I found the suggested sequence too messy to successfully follow. The drawings were grouped by type (fish, shell animals, etc.) rather than difficulty level, so the complex figures were mixed in with the easier ones. I'd suggest starting with some of the easier ones to get used to this learning style. You can draw some decent looking sea creatures using this book--better than I could without the suggested steps. However, I now realize that I prefer to learn drawing from books that include more steps and/or text to explain the steps. I received an ebook review copy of this book from the publisher through NetGalley. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A great way to learn/spend time together By D. Gold Part of the Draw 50 series developed by Lee J. Ames (of Walt Disney Studios and School of Visual Arts in NYC), Draw 50 Sea Creatures provides step by step directions for creating a variety of sea life. The book is broken into several sections including fish, shells, sharks, etc. Each creature is drawn using from 4-8 illustrations with the final step including the most detail and shading. The drawings are easy to follow although some seem like they could have used additional steps near the end. However, the examples are easy to follow and each creature is interesting and fun to learn. When I saw this title for review, I knew my kids would love it. We're all the creative types and it's been a lot of fun to explore this book together. Since we've just returned from our own beach adventure, the kids have been excited to dive into this one. The drawings were challenging for my 5 year old, but both the 9 and 11 year olds really enjoyed learning from this book. Two tips that we discovered were to look over all the steps before beginning and to draw lightly. Looking over each project before starting really helped our final result. All in all I would recommend this book for anyone who wants to draw from ages 10 years and up. It's been a great way to learn and spend time together. Hope you enjoy it as much as we do! *Disclaimer: I received a free copy of this book for review. All opinions are my own. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. ... down and draw whatever I want without it looking like a two year old did it By lovemykidz316 I've always wanted to be able to sit down and draw whatever I want without it looking like a two year old did it. Truth is though, I am not artistic when it comes to drawing. Lucky for me there are plenty of books out there that help. Draw 50 Sea Creatures is a great book to help anyone who can hold a pencil to draw fish, sharks, dolphins and more. The book takes you step by step until you have a complete drawing. It starts with simple shapes and slowly adds detail. Now, I'll be honest. I've already admitted that I'm not an artist, but my penguin definitely looked like a penguin and my fish and turtle were recognizable as well. Now they weren't as good as the examples in the book, but definitely better than anything I could accomplish on my own. This is a great book for all ages, however, I do think younger kids would enjoy it the most. *** Thanks to bloggingforbooks.com for providing me with a copy of this book in exchange for my honest review.

Part of the best-selling Draw 50 series this step-by-step guide to drawing various fish, sharks, oysters, bottlenose dolphins, crabs, polar bears, coral, and other ocean life is for artists of all levels. In this new installment of Lee J. Ames's beloved Draw 50 series, readers will find easy-to-follow, step-by-step visual lessons on sketching and rendering all kinds of sea and ocean-dwelling creatures. Animals and plants from in and near the water featured in the book include clownfish, whale sharks, sea otters, dolphins, turtles and more.

About the Author LEE J. AMES began his career at Walt Disney Studios and taught at the School of Visual Arts in New York City and Dowling College on Long Island, New York. He directed his own advertising agency and illustrated more than 150 books, ranging from preschool picture books to postgraduate textbooks. A prolific author of more than thirty Draw 50 books, Ames died at the age of 90 in 2011. ERIN HARVEY is an artist who works primarily in pencils, charcoals, oils, and pen and ink. She lives outside Atlanta with her husband, Ben, and their two children.