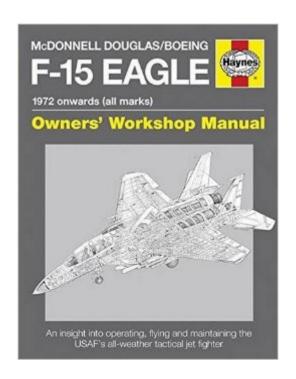
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Synopsis

The McDonnell Douglas F-15 Eagle is a twin-engine, highly maneuverable, all-weather tactical jet fighter, designed to gain and maintain air superiority in aerial combat. It is considered among the most successful of modern jet fighters with 104 aerial combat victories to its credit, with no losses (combined figure across all user-air forces). The F-15 Eagle first flew in July 1972 and entered service with the USAF in 1976. It is expected to remain in service with the USAF until 2025.

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Customer Reviews

This new Haynes "Workshop Manual" might not break new grounds in terms of presentation, but as someone interested in the inner workings of modern combat aircraft, I found it frequently fascinating reading. Steve Davies has written a number of books on the F-15, along with three other Haynes "manuals," and is joined here by two former F-15 pilots, Colonels Doug Dildy and Robert Winebrenner, and retired F-15 crew chief Master Sergeant Dale Drake. As with other Haynes titles, this isn't really an "authentic" manual, but rather a book tailored to the interests of airplane geeks. It opens with a short history of the F-15, including it's Cold War origins, the development of the -A through -E models, midlife updates, and a brief look at the type's combat history. The technical descriptions of the F-15E and it's F100-PW-229 engines, along with the numerous systems schematics, are taken directly from the Technical Orders used by the Air Force. Looking for schematics of the hydraulic system, explanations of MFD symbology, descriptions of what every

button on the HOTAS does, or a close-up picture of a of spring-loaded air scoop on a CFT? You'll find it here. A detailed account of a typical F-15 training mission by Doug Dildy and some insights into maintaining the Eagle by Dale Drake round out the technical material. What IS here is very good, but at only 156 pages, this book seriously screams for a little bit of breathing room. The pictures are very nice, and the diagrams and illustrations are generally well chosen, but everything feels really tightly crammed together. There's also a odd lack of material relating to the rear cockpit of the F-15E or the role of the Weapon Systems Operator, who only warrants a couple brief mentions.

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