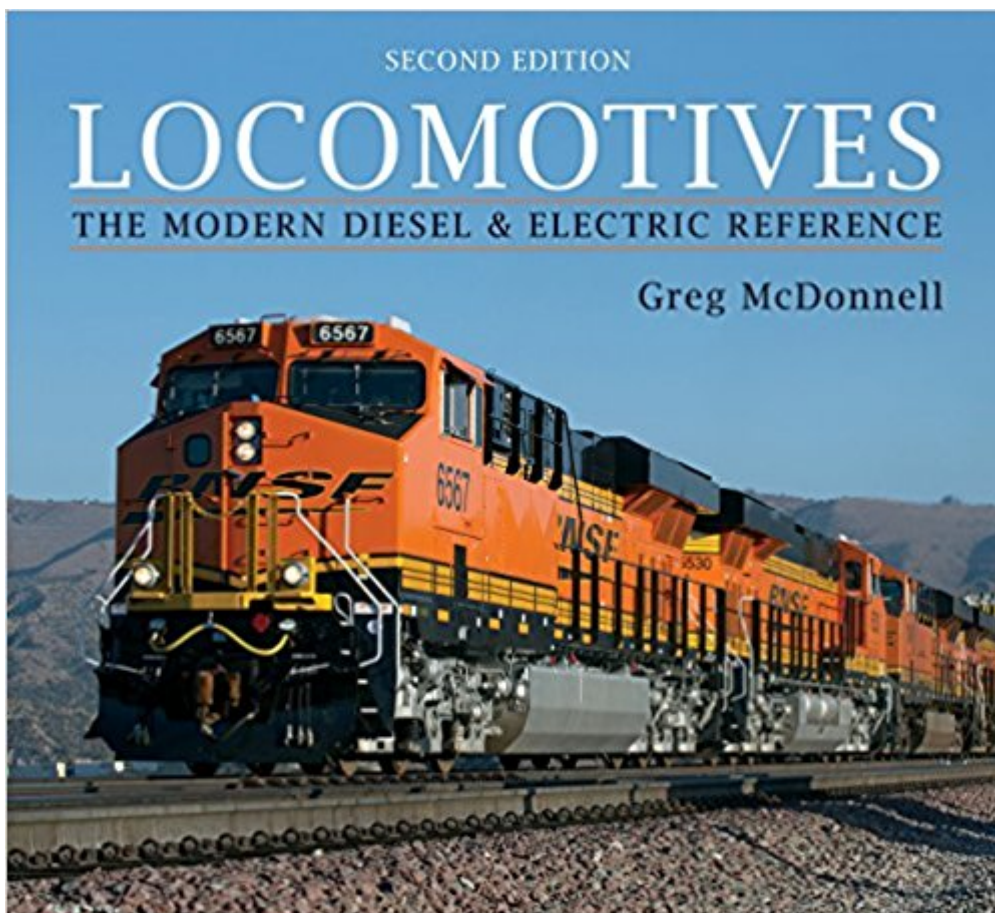


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Locomotives: The Modern Diesel And Electric Reference



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When it comes to North American locomotives, railroad photojournalist Greg McDonnell is probably the best person to help you tell an ES44AC from an SD70MAC or an SD40. This second edition includes all new locomotives built from 2007 right up to January 2015. With chapters for each manufacturer -- including EMD, GE and Alstom -- each type of loco is covered with build dates,

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This is a great book for the library of most any North American rail enthusiast. I'm very happy it's in mine. I enjoy all of the photos, every one of which are excellent. There are several hundred photos, with one or more photos per page of this 239 page book! The descriptions and data included for each locomotive designation are invaluable, and truly appreciated. This book is truly a beautifully presented encyclopedia for those of us who love North American railroading and locomotives. It covers just about every class/designation in North American locomotives from EMD Dash 2's, and GE Dash 7 models produced in the mid 1970's. I love and highly recommend this book!

Enjoyed reading this book. Very informative with lots of photos. I need to come up with ten more words. Did I make the quota?

The book has very good pictures and a lot of information on 'almost' all well-known diesel locomotives. It has sidebars on each model with the basic specifications of each, so it makes it easy to compare the performances and see the progress of development. Why four stars instead of five? Because they omitted the DDA40X, which is one of my all time favorite diesel-electric locomotives, and one if not the largest ever built.

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the hobby.

Très bel ouvrage qui résume très bien la fabrication et les divers modèles de locomotives américaines pour un prix très abordable. Je le recommande pour les amateurs du genre.

WARNING! This is a great book but a second edition has been released. Get that instead

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