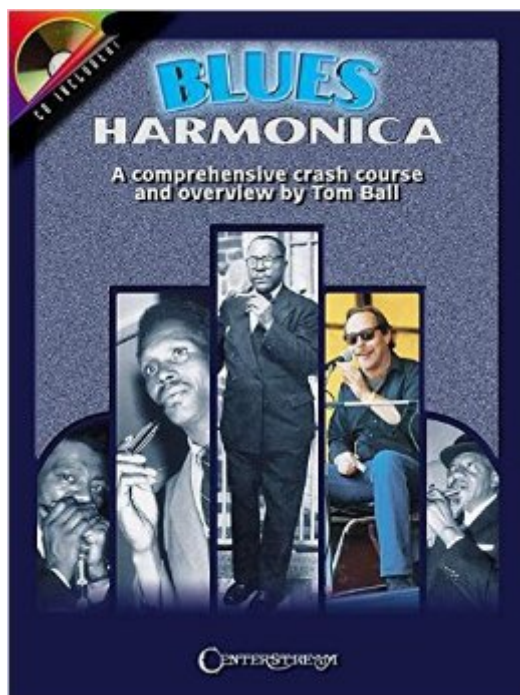


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# Blues Harmonica: A Comprehensive Crash Course And Overview



## Synopsis

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## Customer Reviews

Historical, not so practical.

In my opinion, Tom Ball is a fantastic blues harmonica player and I would never want to give the impression that he doesn't know what he's talking about. However, I found his approach to blues harmonica instruction very weak. I owned this book 17 years ago when I was just starting to play harmonica and it didn't do much for me then. So, after 15 years of playing, I thought I'd check out his course once again to see if I could pick-up anything. I repurchased this course, listened to the CD and read along in the book--all in one sitting. Then I closed the book, stuck it in a drawer, and went back to the internet to see what else was available. Tom Ball's book wasn't helpful when I was a beginning player and, after 17 years, it's still not helpful. Again, Tom Ball is an outstanding player,

but his Blues Harmonica: A Comprehensive Crash Course and Overview just wasn't helpful. To be honest, after 17 years, I don't think any aspiring blues harmonica player could do better than Jon Gindick's, Rock & Blues Harmonica. Gindick actually takes you from the beginning stages to an advanced intermediate level in a quick, interesting, effective, and inspirational way. Anyway, happy harpin'

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