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"Aerial photography has been overly complicated ever since cameras were first introduced to DIY drones. Eric delivers a much needed introduction to give you the best possible start in the craft."
—*Austin Furey, marketing manager, Flite Test*

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