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I recently fulfilled my dream of aircraft ownership by purchasing a beautiful 1962 P35 Bonanza. Unfortunately, student pilots do not typically have the opportunity to collect many hours in this wonderful aircraft, much to the distress of the insurance companies. Before I could really fly my new aircraft, I was required to receive fifteen hours of dual instruction with a well-qualified instructor (with Bonanza time). Enter, Bob Benda and Executive Flight Services (EFS).

Bob is a CFII and BPPP-certified instructor. When I went to pick up the plane, I spent an additional 4 days flying with Bob. We covered the required BPPP maneuvers, as well as instrument flying, mountain flying and night flight. Bob is also an ABS maintenance academy graduate, giving him the ability to demonstrate the inner-workings (and sometimes, not-workings) of my plane. Most importantly, Mr. Benda has a client-focused attitude. He created a custom ground school based around the avionics and components specific to my aircraft and conducted the training in a way that best accommodated my schedule. I had not expected to receive so much tailored attention, but it made a huge difference in the quality of the training. I never imagined I would be this comfortable in a new aircraft so quickly.

I would recommend to any pilot of a new Beechcraft to receive focused training from an instructor well-familiar with the flight characteristics and mechanical vagaries of their machine. EFS meets both of these criteria in spades; Bob offers tremendous training at an unbelievable value.

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