**Sample Database for Indexing Stairway**

In this Stairway we will use examples to illustrate the crucial concepts. These examples are based upon the Microsoft *AdventureWorks* sample database. We focus on Sales Order functionality. Five tables will give us a good mix of transactional and non-transactional data; *Customer, SalesPerson, Product, SalesOrderHeader*, and S*alesOrderDetail*. To keep things focused, we use a subset of the columns.

You can download the *AdventureWorks* database from Microsoft at <http://msftdbprodsamples.codeplex.com/releases/view/4004>

Make sure you don’t use the AdventureWorks2008 database that has a slightly different structure and different data in some of the tables.

Because *AdventureWorks* is well normalized, sales person information is factored into three tables; *SalesPerson*, *Employee* and *Contact*. The complete set of tables we will be using in our examples, and the relationships between them, is shown in the following diagram.

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