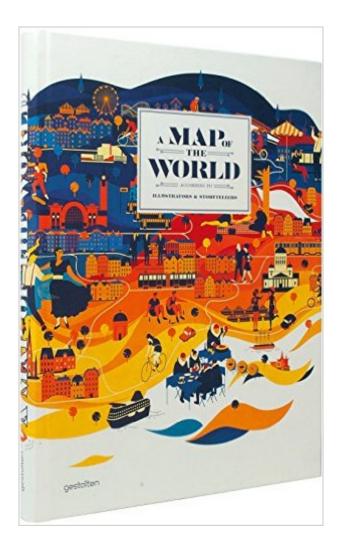
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A Map Of The World: The World According To Illustrators And Storytellers





Synopsis

Maps help us understand the world. This book features the most original and sought-after map illustrators whose work is in line with the zeitgeist. Drawing a map means understanding our world a bit better. For centuries, we have used the tools of cartography to represent both our immediate surroundings and the world at large--and to convey them to others. On the one hand, maps are used to illustrate areal relationships, including distances, dimensions, and topographies. On the other, maps can also serve as projection screens for a variety of display formats, such as illustration, data visualization, and visual storytelling. In our age of satellite navigation systems and Google Maps, personal interpretations of the world around us are becoming more relevant. Publications, the tourism industry, and other commercial parties are using these contemporary, personal maps to showcase specific regions, to characterize local scenes, to generate moods, and to tell stories beyond sheer navigation. A new generation of designers, illustrators, and mapmakers are currently discovering their passion for various forms of illustrative cartography. A Map of the World is a compelling collection of their work--from accurate and surprisingly detailed representations to personal, naà ve, and modernistic interpretations. The featured projects from around the world range from maps and atlases inspired by classic forms to cartographic experiments and editorial illustrations.

Book Information

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Customer Reviews

I spent over an hour several days in a row just enjoying all the details in the maps. It's a book that combines graphic design with personal cartography - the interaction of people and the world. Some

of the pieces were commissioned for certain goals (corporate prospectus, travel guides) but all of them mix whimsy, wonder, and a slightly skewed (or narrowly focused) worldview to create the maps. It looks great on the coffee table and would be a great resource for a classroom/play room.

This book is an amazing coffee table book, and will leave people flipping back and forth through it, and earnestly looking at it. It offer a series of maps of various destinations, but from different artists and map makers perspectives. It's fun to see the difference between two maps of the exact same area, for what parts each person chose to highlight in their making of them.

I bought this as a gift for my boyfriend, who creates maps as a part of his job, and I was pleasantly surprised with the content! It is a collection of beautiful, unique maps that helps the reader understand how people visually perceive our world. I think it's great for adults and kids alike. Defiantly check this one out!

Very enjoyable, many creative and intriguing maps made by artist, who i mostly never heard of. But thats not important. The map selection is fun and inspiring. And a small point, the pages are matte so glareless which i love. Great effort. I am waiting for the next collection....

Who doesn't use a map at least once or twice a day. Living in Paris, I'm constantly Googling locations and now there are new bus maps with 5 -10 minute walks included - a delight. But the illustrated maps in A Map of the World, offer a whole other experience. A look inside an artist's mind how they perceive the world and experience a place on a more imaginative, purely visual level. A total delight with endless variations on a theme. You have to take a look. Words can't do it justice.

Bought this book as a gift for my daughter who is an avid traveller and a lover of maps as amazing as this is in this age of GPS (which she also has). She was delighted with the beauty of it and loved the gift. It is a feast for those who appreciate such an art as mapmaking.

This book is so fun! I thought about getting it for a whole year before I finally purchased it. It was money well spent! I recommend it for anyone that has wanderlust. I imagine anyone into cartography and/or design would love it as well. Because I wouldn't dare cut up the one copy I have now, I'm thinking of purchasing another one so that I can cut-out my favorite maps of places I've been to frame them.

I love looking at maps and this book definitely doesn't disappoint! All of them would be worthy to be hung on a wall. Very different kinds of map ideas also, it's a great book. Absolutely coffee-table material.

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