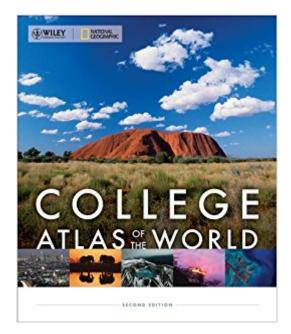


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The "Wiley/National Geographic College Atlas of the World" is the same as the "National Geographic Collegiate Atlas of the World" with one exception: The former does not have the binding trouble that the latter has. The binding trouble happens when you get a location at the center of a two-page map. Then it is annoyingly hard--if not impossible--to see the location. This is because the hardbound binding is inflexible. For the same location in the Wiley edition, you can push down on the the pages and see the location, because the Wiley version is paperback. I give the Wiley version four stars because it serves the primary purpose I want it for: quick reference. With 55,000 place names, it is easy to pull off my bookshelf and look up most locations. It has a "Geographic Index" section that allows you to zoom quickly to any area of the world. I recommend putting an adhesive post-it note or a paperclip on this section. I also recommend doing the same for the "World Facts"

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This was part of my grandson's college texts. After sampling it, I wanted, a copy for myself. I bought a used book that seems like new. Geography is an overlooked subject. The related economic and social data supplements the great visuals provided. The price was most reasonable.

Just as expected.

This atlas has nice graphics and a sensible display of continents and countries in various keys: physical/political, natural, and human, for each area. It's adequate and an excellent reference tool with almost half the text taken up by the index, very complete. I like that it's fairly lightweight for such an extensive atlas, about one inch thick and 10 inches wide or so... it fits into a backpack. Soft binding allows the book to lie fairly flat so maps that have been spread across 2 pages are easily viewed. For the price, it's very adequate.

Bought this for one class but ended up keeping it afterward because it was so useful. Although google maps may be king nowadays, a good cartographer needs to know the old school fundamentals!

"National Geographic College Atlas of the World" serves its purpose. I do not use it much; and I do not have any negative comments. If you need a world atlas, this may be for you--just get your

reading glasses out to read the fine print.

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