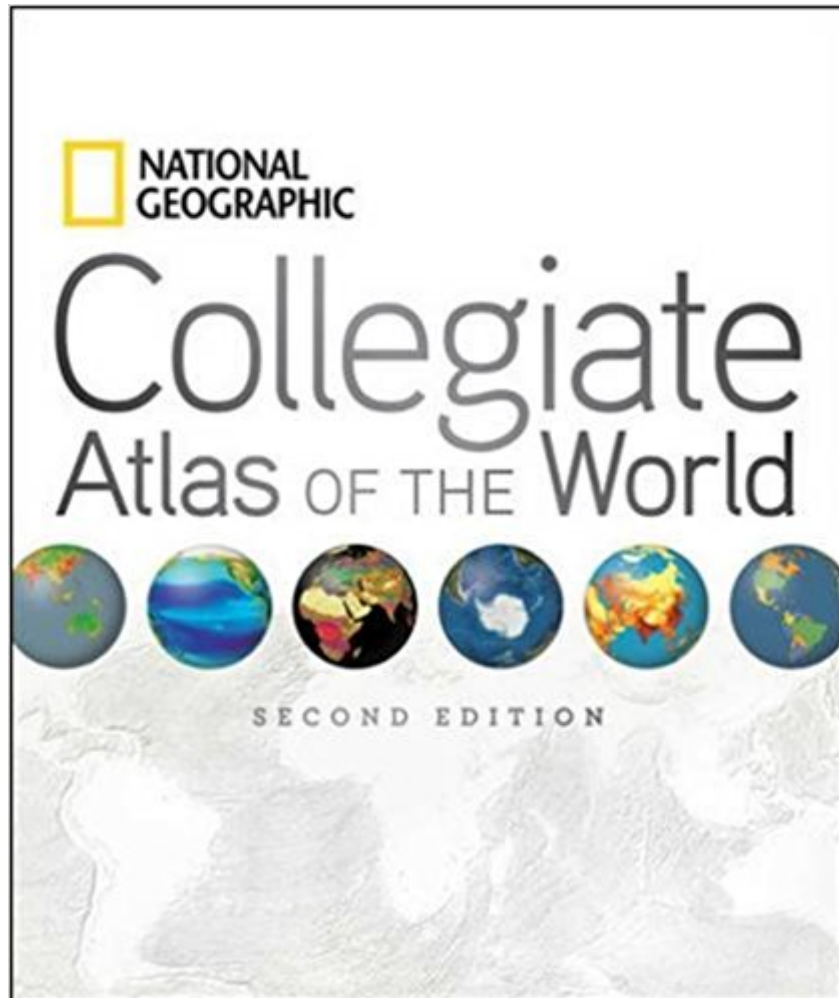




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I am totally hooked after receiving this atlas. If countries and places interest you, then this atlas is totally for you. I will attach some pictures with my phone next to it, so you can see the level of details for yourself. Extremely impressive. (Of course, you will need a road atlas for finer details). In the age of google maps, an atlas is still great for learning about places or generating ideas. Also, the infographics about demography, natural resources and economy information is quite useful if you are doing business globally. Totally worth your money.

Good but not great. It is hard to follow from one map to another particularly in Eastern Europe. For example it is hard to find Trieste and see in which country it is.

I own quite a few atlases, but my favorite has always been the National Geographic Atlas. I find the cartography in it strikes the best balance between information and esthetics. But if I'm reading a book and want to quickly look a place up, the NG atlas is too unwieldy. The NG Collegiate Atlas is a

more convenient size for keeping by your reading chair and grabbing for a quick look-up, rather than finding a table to open up the big atlas. The Collegiate Atlas has the same quality of maps, plus many pages of thematic maps not found in the big atlas. Besides being handy for quick reference, it is a pleasure to browse through. The biggest drawback at first was, as other reviewers have mentioned, the apparent lack of sufficient gutter space; the binding swallows up much of the printing. But in fact the book has been well designed and the gutter space is there; you just have to spend some time breaking in the binding. I spent about a half-hour paging through the book, forcing open the binding on every double spread. (It often required opening the book so wide that the front and back covers touched. This idea may horrify you, but the binding can take it.) Once I've accomplished this all the maps were fully readable. If you're willing to put in the effort, you'll be rewarded with an informative and beautiful atlas that is also easy to handle. If not, you'd be better off with Goode's Atlas.

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Has a lot of incredible maps. Reference index is tremendous. Uses of latitude and longitude coordinates are dead accurate. I do wish it had some city maps. That is the reason for the 4 stars, instead of five.

Hi All, Excellent Atlas. Full color view of our world from every possible angle: Physical, Political, Trade, Globalization, Culture, Economy, Climate, Weather and many more. Joe

I bought this to use in my home-school. I read about it on a blog and decided to get it since the lady seemed very passionate about Atlas's and I didn't know what kind to get. I have not used it yet but have looked through it. It is very nice and full of great information and views. I can't wait to use it with my children.

Perfect it is the information I needed in the most good quality and precise data. I am very pleased with it.

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