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World Decorator [Laminated] (National Geographic Reference Map)



Synopsis

National Geographic's World map is the standard by which all other reference maps are measured. The World map is meticulously researched and adheres to National Geographic's convention of making independent, apolitical decisions based on extensive research using multiple authoritative source. The Decorator style World map uses a vibrant color palette that fills each country for easy identification and stunning shaded relief that will stand out as a beautiful piece of cartographic artistry. Drawn in the Winkel Tripel projection, distortions are minimized and unlike many other World maps, Greenland is show the same size as Argentina and not as the size of all of South America. Thousands of place names are carefully and artistically placed on the map to maintain legibility even in the heavily populated ares of Europe, Asia and the Middle East. Details include clearly defined international boundaries, cities, physical features, rivers, and ocean floor features. Corner inset maps feature vegetation and land use, and population density as well as the north and south polar regions. The map is encapsulated in heavy-duty 1.6 mil laminate which makes the paper much more durable and resistant to the swelling and shrinking caused by changes in humidity. Laminated maps can be framed without the need for glass, so the fames can be much lighter and less expensive. Map Scale = 1:29,802,000 Sheet Size = 46" x 30.5"

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science of mapmaking. Today, National Geographic Maps continues this mission by creating the world's best wall maps, recreation maps, atlases, and globes which inspire people to care about and explore their world.

If you are looking for an honest review of this product then you are in the right place. I received this map just a few days ago to replace my new one and I can honestly say that this map is perfect. It comes laminated out of the box so don't expect it to be ripping on you anytime soon. Not only is the durability of the map impressive the actual image of the map is very sharp. The colors have a good contrast and overall brightness is just where it needs to be. Another thing of note would be that this map has a peculiar black outline added to it. I personally think it has a cool "frame" look to it and appreciate it as a refining contribution to the appearance. One thing that all should note is that it is quite a big map, so you should definitely make sure there is space for it. Overall, as I'm sure this review has made clear, this map is of perfect quality for anyone who wants a durable, large, and colorful map for their viewing pleasure.

I love the art and detail of this world map. It's nice to look at and useful for my classroom.

It's a beautiful map, perfect to adorn my bedroom wall and mark the countries that I have traveled to. The lamination keeps the colors vibrant and easy to dust.

Rather too little contrast and definition in sea floor topography, makes it difficult to see ranges and trenches. Similarly, the land masses are rather dark and the features can be hard to understand. Well laminated. There are better choices.

The map is a bit smaller than I'd expected, but the bigger disappointment came when the children wrote on the laminated surface with a blue erasable marker. It wouldn't erase! They had used a black erasable marker previously, so I don't know what caused the problem - only that we now need to find a new map.

A lot bigger than expected which was a good thing. My 7 year old and I travel a lot and it's great to be able to have a map like this at home that we can look at and reference whenever he wants to.

GREAT MAP!! I've wanted a world map forever and this one was inexpensive and perfect. LOVE

that it is laminated. My only complaint would be that the laminated plastic seems to loosen when pinned so must re-pin now and again because the map gets loose on the wall, but for \$20 who cares!

Beautiful laminated poster. Got it for our son for Christmas; arrived just in time! He was so happy with it that he ended up using some of his Christmas cash to purchase another map from Europe. Excellent buy that looks great in his bedroom.

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