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# Transit Maps Of The World: Expanded And Updated Edition Of The World's First Collection Of Every Urban Train Map On Earth



## Synopsis

A completely updated and expanded edition of the cult bestseller, featuring subway, light rail, and streetcar maps from New York to Nizhny Novgorod. Transit Maps of the World is the first and only comprehensive collection of historical and current maps of every rapid-transit system on earth. In glorious, colorful graphics, Mark Ovenden traces the cartographic history of mass transit—including rare and historic maps, diagrams, and photographs, some available for the first time since their original publication. Now expanded with thirty-six more pages, 250 city maps revised from previous editions, and listings given from almost a thousand systems in total, this is the graphic designer's new bible, the transport enthusiast's dream collection, and a coffee-table essential for everyone who's ever traveled in a city.

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compelling. [Kansas City Star](#) "This is the kind of book that would be incredibly fun to browse with kids as part of a world geography investigation--and also the sort of thing that makes great bedtime reading if you want to salt your dreams with the possibility of travel to distant cities. Sheer public transit/map porn! [Boingboing.com](#) "Fascinating! [Peter Greenberg, National Public Radio](#) "Even if you are not a "map person" this book makes it so easy to experience the unique perspective of rail-based transit. Artistically a treat with its interesting colors, shapes and design; it's a coffee table essential. Ovenden brings a unique perspective to maps and to travel in general. *Transit Maps of the World* is a must-read for the literary traveller. [Literary Traveller.com](#) "A vibrant tip of the hat to the world's urban train systems. [National Geographic Intelligent Traveller](#) "[L]ook no further for the next must-have book. [Very Short List](#) "The sort of book you couldn't imagine you needed until you got it and now you can't imagine how you could do without it . . . It's fantastic! [Robert Elms, BBC London](#) "Like a *Conde Nast Traveler* magazine for jetsetters with subterranean tendencies. [Metro](#) "Delightful. [The Guardian, London](#) "A beautifully illustrated study of the plans that help passengers navigate the world's metropolitan railway systems. [The Times, London](#) "An object lesson in information design. [Wallpaper](#)

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My 11 year old son, who has autism, is fascinated with train routes. He has worn down the previous version of the *Transit Maps of the World* so I was very excited to see the updated one. My son is absolutely thrilled with the new one. It has new maps, is thicker with more information, and is such a delight to look at. All ages, from toddlers to elderly, will love this book! There are fascinating facts about trains and the countries, and of course, the routes. My son looks through the maps everyday. The only suggestion I would make is to make some of the maps larger so the stations are easier to read. My son likes to read the stations' names and it is very difficult sometimes. However, we are so grateful for this book. It is the ONLY one we have found that lists train routes. Thank you so much for the absolute Delight!

This book is such a great idea. And for someone who loves to travel, it is perfect to flip through

before visiting any one of the many cities included. It would also be a great book to create wall art with the individual maps. There is a typo in the book. Ouch. I have empathy, believe me.

It is exactly what the title says: transit maps of the world. For those of us fascinated by good and interesting graphics, this book is a treasure. The rest of you probably won't get the point.

Excellent atlas covering different transit systems around the world. A few minor gripes: 1) Only rail transit systems are covered. That leaves out bus rapid transit systems, which make up the greater part of the transit networks (excluding regular city buses) of cities like Pittsburgh and Ottawa even though those cities have some light rail as well. 2) Not all the transit systems that are covered have maps, though then again, there's just too many of those systems to put them all into maps to show in the book. 3) As a Montrealer, I noticed 1986 as the start year of the Metro over there. In reality, it started in 1966, in advance of Expo 67 the following year.

Fast shipping, and book exactly as described. Thank you.

This map is pretty neat

It is a great book, full of information. Through the shopping experience was great.

Gave as a gift! Recipient loved it!

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