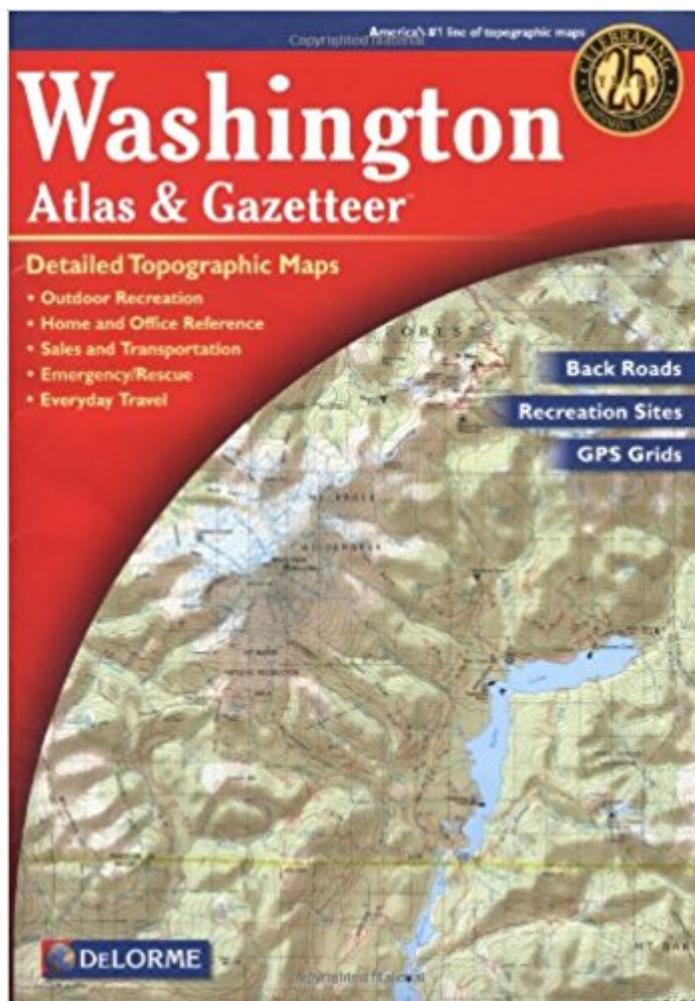


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# Washington Atlas & Gazetteer



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## Customer Reviews

DeLorme has been directly responsible for many of the major technological advances made in the mapping industry over the past 30 years.

Having used this map over several seasons now, I am rescinding my previous rating of 5 and now give it a 2 (at best). This edition of the Gazetteer is completely inferior to the previous edition I had (circa 1990's), particularly as it relates to showing campgrounds and roads in out of the way

primitive locations within the Federal Forests and Parks. In fact, this is such that it renders this Gazetteer pretty much useless. If you have a 1990's edition treat it with kid gloves and don't waste your money on the new edition. Now....speaking of kid - I have to find #1 daughter and beg her to give me my old one back!!

Great map. Just moved across the country to Washington and needed to get a better idea of where to go and what to do. Excellent resource. I keep one in my car at all times. Tons of helpful information for people who just want to explore. The reason for a missing star is that staples holding the map together seem to be a bit flimsy. The cover is getting lose after about a month.

I bought this atlas to replace my 6-year-old worn-out copy of the previous edition. The atlas has been completely re-done, and I was hoping it would have some of the new state campsites I have stumbled across that weren't in my old atlas. Nope! Worse than that, the map now uses one symbol - a small square - for trailheads as well as any campground smaller than an RV park. You can no longer skim the map looking for triangles - they aren't there. And the campgrounds that are labeled are marked with numbers, which you must then go look up in the front of the atlas. This atlas is much less useful and much less readable than its predecessor. I'll be switching to Benchmark.

Love the great detail in these gazetteers. I have one in Idaho and now Washington. Helps you navigate the back roads with ease; especially when common mapping apps end up getting you lost or you travel where there isn't cell service/GPS. The best part of these atlases are finding boat docks and places to fish! That's not on my map app!

I consider this an essential to buy an updated copy whenever they come out, for my road trips. I still like paper maps because I prefer understanding the whole context rather than just getting directions from a GPS (which I don't own anyway). I am not organized enough to buy all the separate trail maps for Washington plus having this copy is cheaper than those. Not as much detail as needed for a true backcountry hiking map but it does have enough detail to find backroads and trailheads, camping areas, and shows the topography, mountain peaks, lakes etc. in sufficient detail for most purposes. SO that's how I mostly use it is for small town/back road navigation. But I use it in the suburban areas too. I do a lot of travelling to some remote rural areas for horse and dog shows and for camping. The only drawback is that it gets so dogeared from overuse plus as with any map you have to turn pages to find the adjacent map. But the cross reference grid of numbers and letters is

accurate enough to find where it joins up. The good thing about a paper map unlike directions is that in addition to find the place I intended to go I often see in its vicinity something else that looks interesting, or figure out which campground is on a hill rather than flat, or whether there's a lake or a river where I can take a swim as a stop on a long hot road trip.

The newer editions have MUCH less details than older editions. Newer editions completely omit public lands and have fewer recreational POI's. Get a benchmark series instead.

Bought this for my 93 year old father-in-law, as he doesn't do online buying. He's a map geek and loves it, got the other two maps that were recommended with it. He's hoping to do a road trip up that way, lol. Not a chance, but makes him happy to think about it.

I like the old style maps a little better. These are less detailed and the topo lines are in meters and are not closely graduated. Still a good map.

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