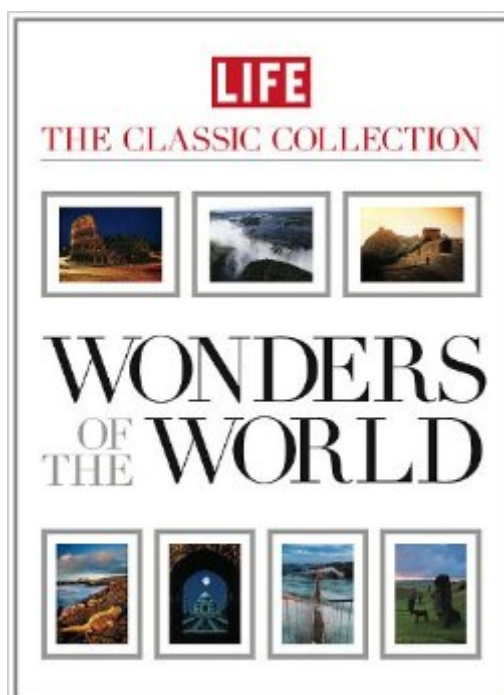


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LIFE Wonders Of The World (Life: The Classic Collection)



Synopsis

The idea of choosing the Wonders of the World can be traced all the way back to the 5th century, B.C., when the Greek historian Herodotus of the Halicarnassus listed seven must-sees, the Great Pyramid of Khufu in Egypt and six other constructions that long ago vanished from the earth. In this deluxe new LIFE book, *Wonders of the World*, the editors return to the sites of the original Seven Wonders and then keep right on traveling around the globe--eventually visiting in words and pictures seven-times-seven Wonders, plus one more. There are old Wonders here and a new list offered by the New7Wonders Foundation, a Switzerland-based organization that conducted an online poll that saw more than a million votes cast for the world's greatest Wonders. There are man-made Wonders and natural Wonders. There are obscure Wonders and famous Wonders. The amazing stories behind your favorites are recounted as LIFE goes to the Colosseum, to Stonehenge, to the Great Wall, to Machu Picchu, to the Taj Mahal, to Easter Island, to The Acropolis and the Vatican and back to the Great Pyramid. We travel into outer space for a close-up look at the International Space Station, and into the sea for a sensational vantage on Australia's Great Barrier Reef. We go to the summit of Mount Everest and down into the mile-deep Grand Canyon in Arizona. We could not choose between the world's tallest waterfall, 3,212-foot-high Angel Falls in Venezuela, or that which is arguably the world's most awesome, Victoria Falls on the Zimbabwe-Zambia border--so we went with both. Fifty Wonders in all, each more wondrous than the last. A reader cannot help being amazed and inspired by what man's industry has built through time, and what sublime Wonders nature has graced us with. This is a book Herodotus would have loved! And then comes the big bonus: The 7 LIFE Wonders. We were sure that some of these fabulous sites were suitable for framing, and so we went to the vast LIFE archives and picked pictures of some of the most wonderful Wonders taken by famous LIFE photographers. Using a technique we developed in our 2009 book *The Classic Collection*, we inserted prints of these places in the last section of our book. Better yet: When you remove the prints to frame them, the image stays on the page, so your lovely coffee-table book remains intact. For these wonders, a wondrous book.

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Customer Reviews

I am one of those people who laments the demise of Life magazine at least once a week, even if it's been gone for some three decades or so. Some images are still indelibly inscribed in my mind; for example, the clever presentation of the cultural impact of the first Star Wars movie (1976) by showing two trick-or-treaters costumed as their favorite characters. This book about past and present Life Wonders of the World does not disappoint. You may think you know what This and That look like, but a large part of the Life magic (and that of its philosophical close cousin, National Geographic) comes from the brilliance of the photographers, who invariably find a new way to show you something and help you gain a new appreciation for it. Already a shot from this book of the Eiffel Tower taken from a nearby rooftop and not at a distance from the ground is engraved in my memory. LIFE Wonders of the World (Life: The Classic Collection)

This book is a photographic buffet, and reveals all the past and present wonders of the world. It is a great coffee table presence, and was quickly processed by and delivered promptly and safely by this supplier.

'No kidding. If you are a doctor, get this and your patients will complain less and less about the amount they wait. It's great! Maybe the only thing that would discourage you from getting this is that many of the photographs can actually be taken from the book, taken and framed. Yes, they are prints of photographs. So doctors may have some patients walking out of the office with that sweaty picture of Marilyn Monroe. That could be taken care of, however. And if you are looking for a great book to entertain you and your guests, this will serve the purpose wherever you are.

Life The Classic Collection Wonders of the WorldI never thought I'd win this but I did and it's a

hardbound book with 140 pages of some of the best photographs I've ever seen. The book is broken up into sections: wonders of the world, 7 original wonders, wonders of today, nature's wonder and 7 Life wonders and more. The one I love particularly is the one of the Eiffel Tower. Each photo is given a few chapters to tell its story. Love the lights and the angle of the tower. I received this book from SynapseConnect, Inc.

I bought this as a gift for my cousin. She loved it! I flipped through the book before giving it to her, and let me tell you, there are some GORGEOUS shots in it. I especially loved the ones of the Eiffel Tower. I also loved that some of the photos are removable and suitable for framing. I had never seen that feature in a book before! I was really tempted to keep this book for myself. I might have to order another copy!

Absolutely fantastic coffee table book. Excellent resource for the history buff. Fabulous photographs.

I loved this book - the recipient loved it more than I did. The removable prints are an beautiful bonus!

My husband's father is an amateur photographer and avid camper/hiker. He loved this book because it reminded him of all the beautiful places he has visited/photographed in his lifetime.

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