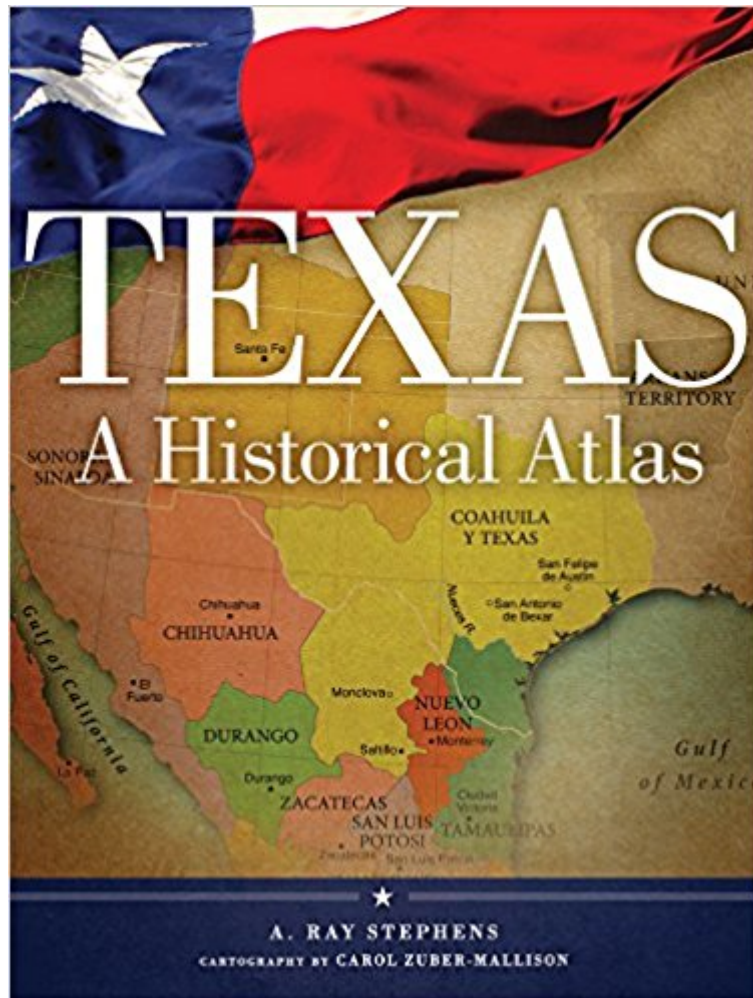




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Texas: A Historical Atlas



Synopsis

For twenty years the Historical Atlas of Texas stood as a trusted resource for students and aficionados of the state. Now this key reference has been thoroughly updated and expanded—and even rechristened. Texas: A Historical Atlas more accurately reflects the Lone Star State at the dawn of the twenty-first century. Its 86 entries feature 175 newly designed maps—more than twice the number in the original volume—illustrating the most significant aspects of the state's history, geography, and current affairs. The heart of the book is its wealth of historical information. Sections devoted to indigenous peoples of Texas and its exploration and settlement offer more than 45 entries with visual depictions of everything from the routes of Spanish explorers to empresario grants to cattle trails. In another 31 articles, coverage of modern and contemporary Texas takes in hurricanes and highways, power plants and population trends. Practically everything about this atlas is new. All of the essays have been updated to reflect recent scholarship, while more than 30 appear for the first time, addressing such subjects as the Texas Declaration of Independence, early roads, slavery, the Civil War and Reconstruction, Texas-Oklahoma boundary disputes, and the tideland oil controversy. A dozen new entries for "Contemporary Texas" alone chart aspects of industry, agriculture, and minority demographics. Nearly all of the expanded essays are accompanied by multiple maps—everyone in full color. The most comprehensive, state-of-the-art work of its kind, Texas: A Historical Atlas is more than just a reference. It is a striking visual introduction to the Lone Star State.

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An amazing amount of detail. The breadth covers geography, geology, history, weather, climate, and much more. Colored maps and charts have excellent quality. I'd say an 8th grader could base several homework assignments on this Atlas. Good coffee table book; look up interesting facts to kill a little time. Just for info: it's big and heavy.

Wow what a book! I bought this for my students of Texas history, but discovered it is far above and beyond what I expected. I even had to leave it home a few days because my husband didn't want to part with it. A very detailed book of every detail you could ever imagine about Texas.

Texas A Historical Atlas, by Ray Stephens, is an ideal "read" to achieve a comprehensive understanding of Texas under six flags. Professor Stephens is an experienced and expert college teacher, and this book is the seminal work of his distinguished career. By using the ever changing map of Texas to aid in telling the historical "story", Professor Stephens enables the reader to understand how geography was, is now, and will continue to be the determining factor in the destiny of Texas. People all over the world recognize the map of Texas when they can not recognize a map of France or Iran. This book will help you understand why.

I bought this book as a present for my Father, a Texan, and he LOVES it. It has so much interesting information in it and is organized in a very user friendly format. I WILL buy on for myself for sure. I wish it was a hardback but that's just a preference.

This is a quality book on Texas historical maps. The background behind each map and beautiful maps.

As a Texan, I have to say that this is one of the most complete book on Texas I have found. It has everything: a little history, a lot of beautiful maps, topography , and pictures. You can't go wrong with this book.

If you have people who like to argue with you about Texas history this is a great resource. A great book for students as well. It is something that you can reach back to for years to come. With so much false information out there this tends to set things straight. A very interesting and surprisingly complete research tool.

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