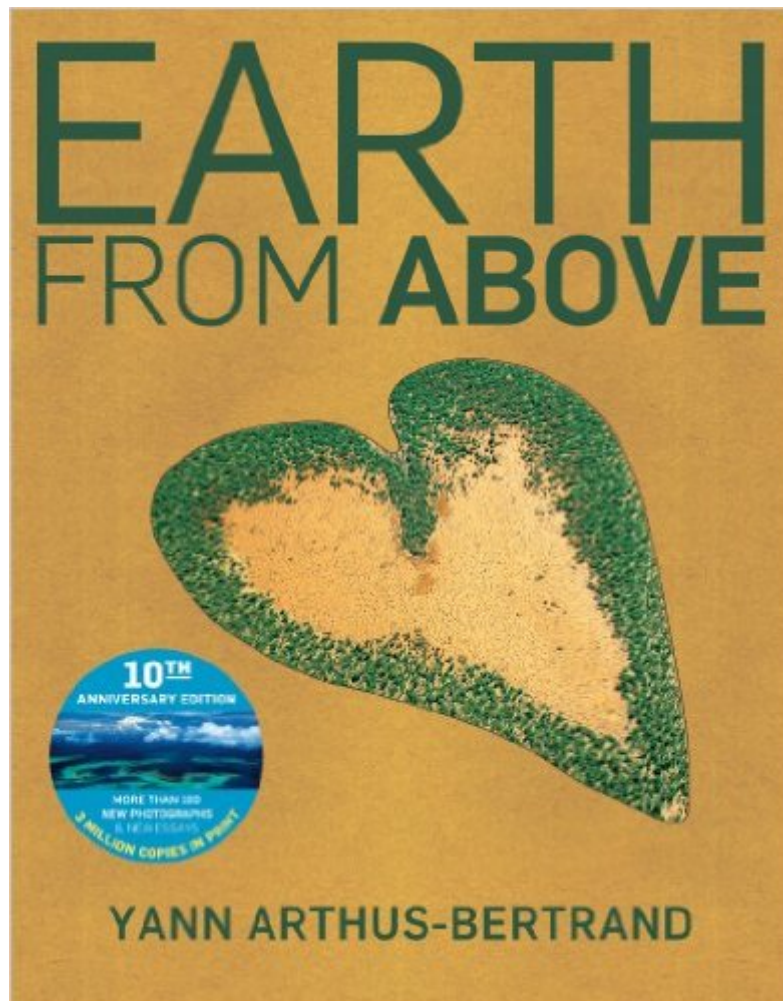


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# Earth From Above Tenth Anniversary Edition



## Synopsis

Since its original publication in 1999, Yann Arthus-Bertrand's *Earth From Above* has been a touchstone for the environmental movement throughout the world, selling more than 3 million copies in all languages. The result of a five-year journey across five continents and 60 countries, this spectacular portrait of our planet is also an iconic reminder of its fragility. In this anniversary edition, Arthus-Bertrand and one dozen experts on current environmental issues look back upon the past decade's progress. With more than 100 striking new images and nine new essays, including frank discussions of climate change and the growing energy crisis throughout the world, Arthus-Bertrand poignantly juxtaposes Earth's raw beauty with the evidence of humanity's negative impact upon our home.

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## Customer Reviews

Let me be clear that I really enjoy Yann Arthus-Bertrand's ariel images and always have and that this review has more to do with the book print quality than the images themselves. I thought this large format bound image would be a great addition to my photo book library and boy was I disappointed! In fact, I didn't even look through the entire book and decided to return it after flipping through a few pages. First, the print quality is awful which is inexcusable for an image based book. Second, many of the images are full page spreads, but the binding does not lay flat, so the view of the entire scene is obstructed. This is the worse possible representation of the artist's work and I hope that it was a publisher or printer's fault as I certainly hope that the photographer would have more exacting

standards to present his work.

The pictures are wonderful but the layout of the book is terrible. There is no overall index of pictures. For each section in the book there is an index of following pictures in that section but the print is so small it requires a magnifying glass to read it. Furthermore each index refers to page numbers of the pictures but the pictures in the book have no page numbers! The pictures in the book have no titles or description on the pages they are on. If I page through the book and see a picture I am interested in, I have to page back to find the index for that section, get out my magnifying glass, and read what the picture is about. If I see a description of a picture I like on an index page, I have to turn through page after page to find it (since there are no page numbers). What were they thinking when they designed this book??!

This well photographed and annotated book will show you views on parts of the world you never dreamed of. This thorough account of our home planet will remind you of your own small scale and the impact you can have on it. If you are looking for a great coffee table book that friends will love to page through, or a way of introducing yourself or your kids to new regions of the world, this book is perfect for you. Well worth the price. I purchased it after seeing the photographic exhibit in Amsterdam and have shown it to many friends and family.

This is bar-non the coolest coffee table book I've encountered. The photos are crisp with gorgeous colors. But even more, they offer an incredibly new perspective as most of the shots are taken a few hundred feet in the air (sometimes much higher).

Yann Arthus-Bertrand is an excellent photographer, and his photographs from the air are outstanding. I have never seen anything like them. Earth from Above is a coffee-table book that is not easily put down. There is text with each photograph that is very informative. The book is arranged so that the text is easily referenced while one views the picture. Brief articles in the book point out how man is affecting the environment and emphasize the urgency of modifying our practices so that future generations can enjoy the earth as much as we do. I can highly recommend Earth from Above.

I already own a copy, and have given it as a gift to many of my friends and relatives. I purchased THIS particular copy to give as part of a wedding gift. The newlyweds I bought this for are

adventurous world travelers, and will continue to be, I'm sure. I wouldn't be surprised if they had already seen many of the places that are shown in this fabulous book. Because they do travel so often, and love to take photos of their journeys, I also gave them a baker's dozen of silver and pewter picture frames of all shapes and sizes. Maybe this marvelous book will give them new ideas on where to go next?

Earth From Above puts a dizzyingly colorful world on your coffee table. With short essays, statistics and descriptions of diverse patterns, formations, markets and cities, the book is wonderful to browse and inspiring to contemplate.

I knew of the book but had not seen a copy before purchasing (in fact I couldn't find it anywhere in two big NZ cities) but I am very impressed and pleased with the purchase. It is a large book, with beautiful photos just as I had expected. It was quick to send it and I received it well before the expected date. The cost, even with the freight to New Zealand, was also better than that I could get anywhere in New Zealand.

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