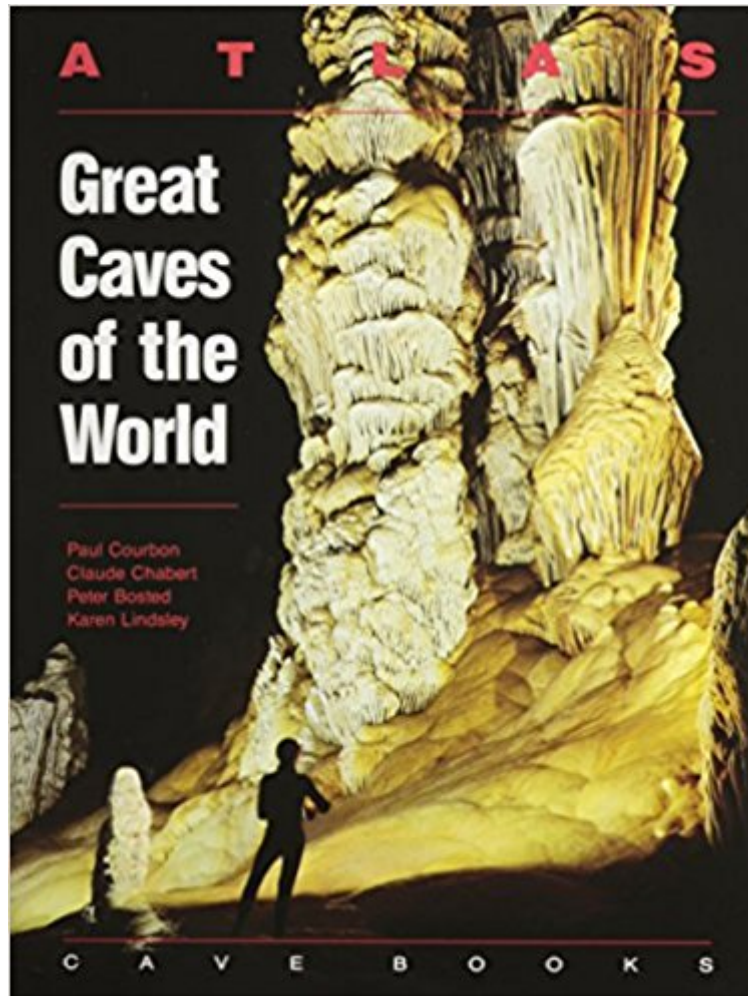




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I must have not read the description carefully enough, but just to describe this book, there are no photos in it at all. It is 100% black and white text and elevation type map drawings of caves. The information is very detailed and comprehensive, but I really got the wrong idea from the description and was expecting something more visual. My mistake.

Granted this is an old book, but it seemed a bit threadbare in terms of information. The maps of large cave systems were fascinating.

Not what I was expecting. It would be beneficial for someone doing research. I thought it would be more about each of the cave systems with descriptions.

it was a good coffee table book, very nice pictures. little or no data of caves. no maps. it was a little brief in descriptions. there are much better books out there. also this book is hard cover, not paper back, a plus.

Fairly encyclopedic--i was expecting more of a coffee table book, but pleasantly surprized by the breadth and detail. Nice pictures.

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