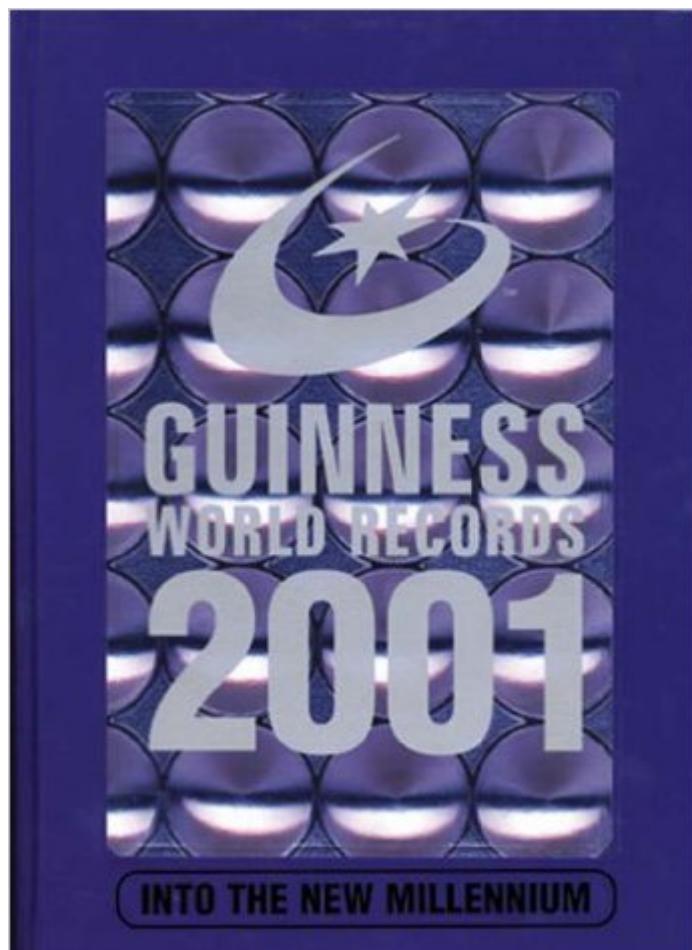


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# Guinness World Records 2001



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## Customer Reviews

Guiness has yet again made a great book. In its great monstosity and colorful fotos, the Guiness Book of Records for the year 2001 is a fun and education read. This book is packed with feats mastered from around the globe with records set from anywhere between most days spent in an attic to farthest pull of a train with the use of teeth.I really enjoyed looking at the broad pictures while reading what was being performed in the fotos. These "athletes" from around the globe deserve a standing ovation for their wonderful talents and their kindness to publish their feats in a world renown book.The Guiness Book of Records is really for any ages and offers a very convenient category index so you don't have to keep searching to find the record you want to look at.As I have said, i really enjoyed this book and anyone who buys will feel the same. Happy reading and thanks for looking at my review!

This is definitely not the Guinness Book of my youth. Since I had possessed my last Guinness Book of World Records (circa 1972), crass commercialization has hit the Guinness organization in the form of the TV series of the same name. New useless categories have been invented (like the

longest distance someone has shot spaghetti from their nose). That has served to cheapen the product. Also of very limited value are the hi-tech categories, especially the computer category. What's the use of listing the record for the biggest hard drive when that record was probably already broken by the time the book first hit the stores? Consult the latest computer magazines for the current "biggest and best". Once past these obstacles, there is a lot of good information here. Many of the categories are quite educational, especially dealing with science, transportation, the human body, and (legitimate) athletics. In addition, the book is a treat for the eyes, with color photographs and color-coded sections. All in all, this is a publication of varying usefulness, but it's almost always entertaining. Almost.

Over the years, the Guinness Book of Records has evolved, and it hasn't always been good evolution. On the plus side, the fact that the book now contains many pictures (some quite grotesque) makes it more interesting than its early predecessors. That it now contains 30% drivel is not so positive. Commercialisation has done its worst to the Guinness Media since the loss of Ross McWherter. In my youth (a couple of years after Noah landed), the Guinness Book was a genuine work of reference that cataloged man's triumph over nature, himself and anything else that got in his way. Now, we seem to have categories for the most obscure, brainless schemes and, what's worse, those new uninteresting sections are included at the expense of the genuine achievements (or underachievements) of others. For style, the new Guinness Books are a great improvement. For content, I much preferred the originals

When I was younger, I would read the Guinness book (1976 edition) with awe and fascination. Now I read it with disdain. I never did like the "stunt" records, always preferring the more "natural" records - longest snake, deepest lake, fastest train, highest building, largest national park - stuff like that. Now I'm given dumb stuff like "Most Valuable Piece of Madonna Clothing" or "Most Extreme Sports Participated in by a Dog" or "Fastest Cyclist on a Glacier." Please, give me something that I can care about! Did I see a commercial for the Guinness TV show about a guy who tried to put the most clothespins on his face?!? What is that?!? The Guinness organization, once the definitive authority for world superlatives, has turned itself into the leading provider of answers to questions that nobody is asking.

I have the hard copy and it was initially purchased for my husband but before long I was reading it and then our children were reading it. This edition is very well done and makes for a great

accounting of our time. The photographs are vibrant and there is a wealth of information on a large variety of subjects. Something here for all ages and both sexes! I have suggested this title to friends who have purchased it for their husbands and their children!

This a great book packed with awesome, funny records. This book is really, really fun to look at.

This is one of the most amazing books I have read lately. I picked up this book at our library (Guinness World Records 2001, 288 pages over size hardcover) and once I opened it I could not put it down. Even though it was published in 2001; nevertheless, the information is nothing short of fantastic. It covers such an enormous amount of material that this short review cannot do it justice. This is a super reference book for anyone seeking information on a wide range of topics. The best, the first and youngest and the oldest are covered in the book. The following is just a very small example of the topics covered in this giant text: Golden oldies, strength, speed, skill, endurance, teamwork, adventures and journeys, disasters, survivors and life savers, space heroes, human world, religion, war and peace, crime, food and drink, movies, television, world music, print media, body beautiful, computers, internet, lethal weapons, aircraft, space craft, science, human body, animal world, astronomy, combat sports and much, much more. If you are seeking a book for entertainment combined with incredible facts about a whole host of things in our world, this is a book you should read. You can pick up this amazing volume for a real bargain on . A fantastic reference source. Rating: 5 Stars. Joseph J. Truncale (Author: Pro-Systems Combatives Vol. 1,2).

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