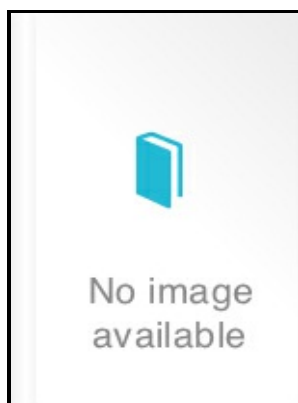


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I bookmarked too many pages containing interesting facts and insights to be able to share them. Though this is Toby's first book, he has been writing for a very long time on religion, history, and maps.

Leanne (Pasadena, CA)'s review of The Fourth Part of the World: The Race to the Ends of the Earth, and the Epic Story of the Map That Gave America Its Name

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Europeans also rediscovered Ptolemy and other Greek texts that helped piece the larger world together. Some of them are well-written and some not, some well-sourced and some not. There was a very complex relationship between explorers and their sponsors during this time period, and multiple forces driving exploration.

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Haven't you wondered why the continent wasn't called Columbia after the person we associate with America's discovery? What emerges from the story is a novel way of seeing and understanding how, over the course of several centuries, Europeans and others gradually shook off long-held ideas about the world, rapidly expanded their geographical and intellectual horizons, and eventually—in a continent-spanning collective enterprise that culminated in the making of the map—managed to arrive at a new understanding of the world as a whole. It will be a well-thumbed, reference book on my shelf for a very long time. Possibly because I just visited the Library of Congress and saw the WALDSEEMULLER Map.

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Toby Lester dissects the map, researching the historical world events leading up to its creation. Lester tells how all of this and much more happened in encyclopedic, fascinating detail.

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From there, the author discusses the history of maps, from ancient times through the invention of the printing press and the voyages of Columbus and Amerigo Vespucci. This book was fascinating from the beginning. Names from grade-school days like Vespucci, Marco Polo, Copernicus, Genghis Khan, da Gama and Columbus collide and come alive here, their adventures, exploits and discoveries richly recounted and complemented by plenty of ancient maps and illustrations. The graphics are perhaps the best part of this book.

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