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Guinness World Records 2009 (Guinness Book Of Records (Mass Market))



Synopsis

From every corner of the globe and beyond Guinness World Records, 2009 gathers the most amazing, inspirational, and even bizarre record breakers yet! From don't-try-this-at-home human achievements to natural and technological wonders, incredible feats in sports and entertainment, and much more, this latest edition introduces important new records and fascinating facts that will captivate every imagination. Did you know . . . At 2 feet 5.37 inches, the shortest (mobile) living man is 19-year-old He Pingping of China, who was measured on March 22, 2008. The world's most expensive cocktail is offered at the Skyview Bar in Dubai, UAE. It costs \$7,439 (27,321 dirham) and consists of 55-year-old Macallan whisky from Scotland, ice made from the water used at their distillery, a drop of exclusive dried fruit bitters, and passion-fruit-scented sugar. Jeanne Stawiecki of the United States became the oldest female to climb the Seven Summits, including Mount Kosciuszko, when she completed her last climb (Mount Everest, Nepal) on May 22, 2007, at the age of 57 years, 36 days. And that's just a hint of what you'll find inside this mind-blowing book, including striking photos, exclusive interviews, special sections on the year's milestones plus information on how you too can join the Guinness family of world-record breakers!

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Customer Reviews

Caveat lector ("let the reader beware"). Most of the info in this book is correct, but there are some glaring errors. For example, the tallest hotel in the world is not the Burj Al Arab. It is the Rose Tower in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, which was completed in 2007, well before the publication date of

this book. There are number of other errors that I have found. In other words, you can't take it on faith that a particular record in this book is true. The Guinness Book of Records has been going downhill for years. In order to keep the size of the book down (and printing costs too), the publishers have decided to remove some records from year to year. For example, you won't find the world's largest bell in the 2009 edition, but it was included in some previous editions. That's just one example; there are MANY. Overall, the Guinness book is OK, but it was much better years ago when the McWhirter brothers published it.

They get out of hand with their photos, but that is their new format.

This book was very disappointing and is sitting on my shelf at home...The book is tiny and most of the photos are in black and white...I will probably donate or shred this book I haven't decided which yet...The hardcover books are awesome do not buy this book...

Purchased this for my son. He collects these every year and he wanted this one too. He enjoys the World Records books and the information that they contain.

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the item was just as the shipper stated and came very fast. i would use them again

Nephew was very excited to receive this book. Shipping was fast, book in great shape.

I'm Megan (-5th grader.) The Guinness book of world records is full of exhilarating fun facts, and creepy stunts and accomplishments. Most of the "records" in the book are like longest hair, tallest legs, and everything in between. This is a book I would consider reading it on a rainy day, or just when you need something interesting. If you do, I'm just about sure it will suit all the needs to read it!! Everything about it is most likely unusual to many people. (Some of them I was shocked to see.) Mostly, a lot of people find it intereststing of all the fun facts and things that the people could do!!! Anyways, if you are bored one day, I would recommend this book 100 percent great to read!!

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