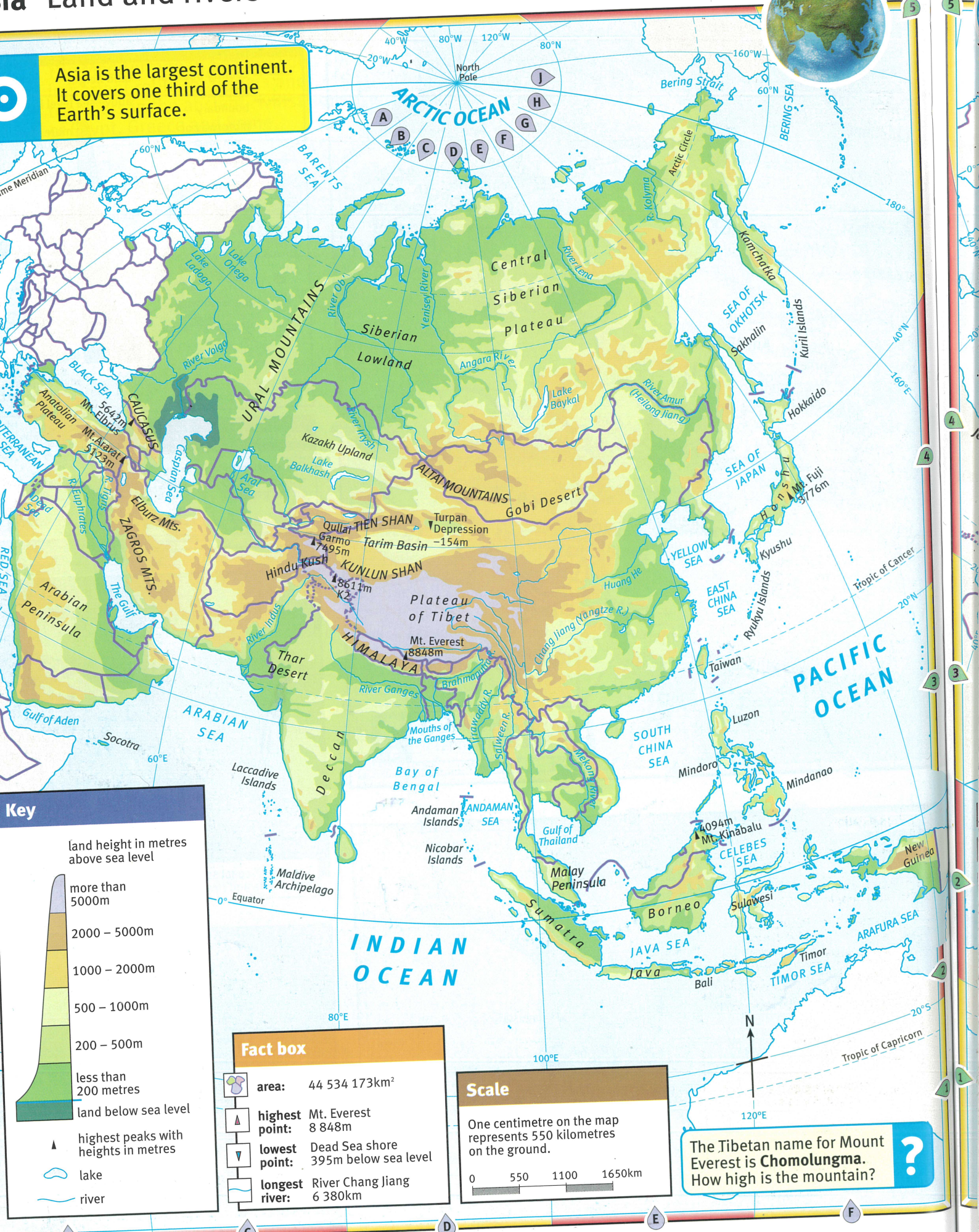
ia Land and rivers

Asia is the largest continent. It covers one third of the Earth's surface.



Key

land height in metres above sea level

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- less than 200 metres
- land below sea level
- highest peaks with heights in metres
- lake
- river

Fact box

area:	44 534 173km²
highest point:	Mt. Everest 8 848m
lowest point:	Dead Sea shore 395m below sea level
longest river:	River Chang Jiang 6 380km

Scale

One centimetre on the map represents 550 kilometres on the ground.

0 550 1100 1650km

The Tibetan name for Mount Everest is **Chomolungma**. How high is the mountain?

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Africa Land and rivers

Africa lies across the equator.
Almost all of Africa is warm or hot.

MEDITERRANEAN SEA
ATLAS MOUNTAINS
Madeira Islands
Canary Islands
Nile Delta
Suez Canal
Sinai
2637m Mt. Sinai
-133m Qattara Depression
River Nile
Tropic of Cancer
Sahara Desert
Lake Nasser
RED SEA
Hoggar Mts.
Tibesti Mts.
3415m Emi Koussi
Senegal River
River Niger
Gulf of Aden
White Nile R.
Blue Nile R.
4620m Ras Dashen Terara
Lake Assal
Lake Chad
River Chari
ETHIOPIAN HIGHLANDS
Lake Volta
River Benue
Lake Turkana
Niger Delta
4095m Mt. Cameroon
Equator
Gulf of Guinea
Príncipe
São Tomé
River Congo
R. Oubangui
Congo Basin
Mt. Ruwenzori 5120m
Mt. Kenya 5200m
Lake Victoria
INDIAN OCEAN
5895m Kilimanjaro
Rift Valley
Pemba I.
Zanzibar
R. Kasai
Lake Tanganyika
R. Lualaba
Aldabra Islands
Comoro Archipelago
ATLANTIC OCEAN
ANGOLA PLATEAU
Lake Nyasa (Lake Malawi)
R. Cunene
R. Cubango
R. Zambezi
Victoria Falls
Mozambique Channel
Madagascar
Okovango Swamp
Prime Meridian
Tropic of Capricorn
Limpopo R.
Namib Desert
Kalahari Desert
River Vaal
Orange R.
DRAKENSBERG
Cape of Good Hope
SOUTHERN OCEAN

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Fact box

area:	30 297 971km²
highest point:	Mt. Kilimanjaro 5 895m
lowest point:	Lake Assal 155m below sea level
longest river:	River Nile 6 695km

Scale

One centimetre on the map represents 400 kilometres on the ground.

0 400 800 1200km

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The Suez Canal provides a shortcut for ships sailing between the Indian Ocean and the Mediterranean Sea. Can you find it on the map?

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North America Land and rivers

The Rocky Mountains form the backbone of North America. To the east are vast plains and lakes.

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Fact box

area:	22 656 216km²
highest point:	Mt. McKinley 6 194m
lowest point:	Death Valley 86m below sea level
longest river:	River Mississippi–Missouri 5 969km

Can you name the five Great Lakes of North America?

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South America Land and rivers

The Andes are the longest mountain range in the world and stretch the whole length of South America.

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Fact box

area:	17 867 239km²
highest point:	Aconcagua 6 960m
lowest point:	Valdés Peninsula 40m below sea level
longest river:	River Amazon 6 516km

Scale

One centimetre on the map represents 350 kilometres on the ground.

0 350 700 850km

Can you find out which famous scientist studied plants and animals on the Galapagos Islands in 1835? ?

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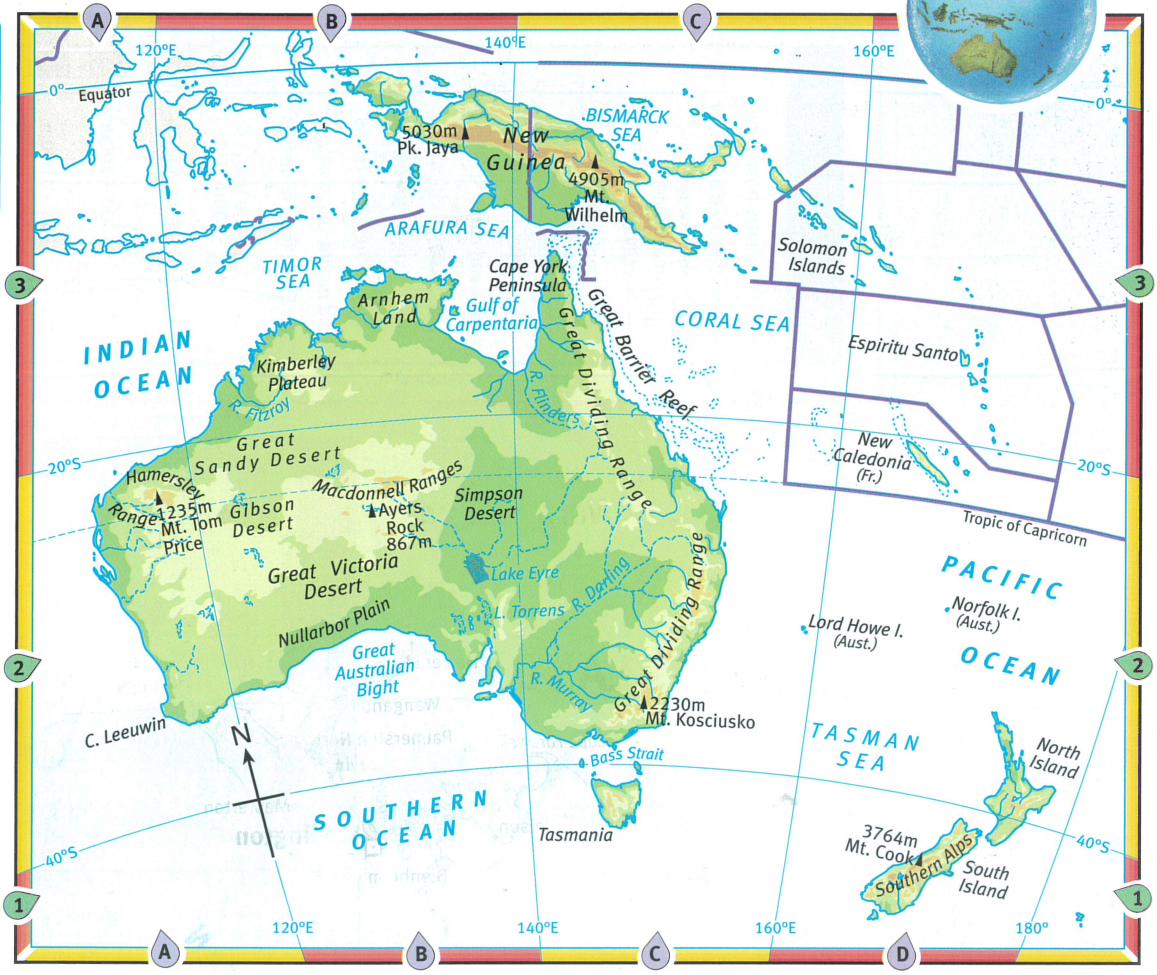
Oceania Land and rivers, Countries

Australia is by far the largest country in Oceania. The rest of Oceania is made up of many groups of islands.



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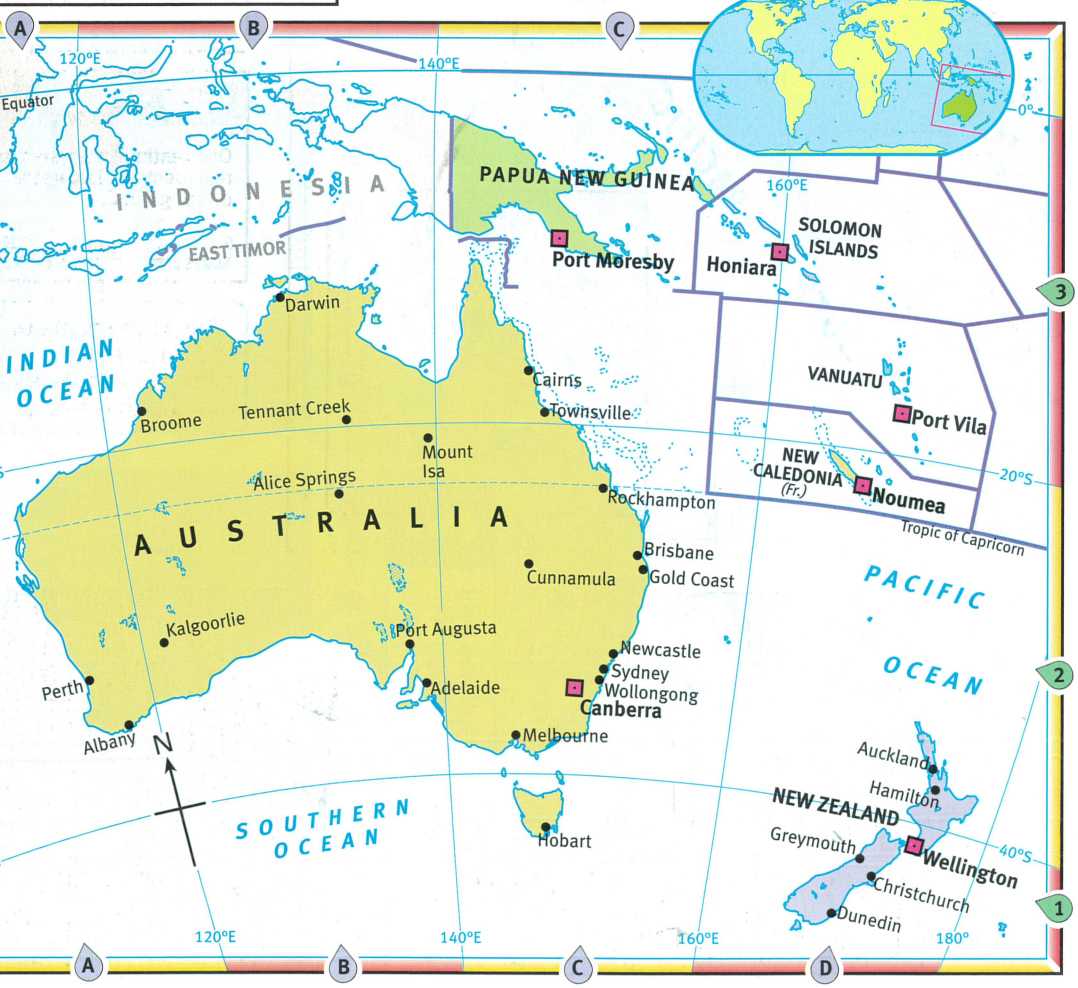

Fact box

area:	8 564 421km²
highest point:	Mount Wilhelm 4 509m
lowest point:	Lake Eyre 16m below sea level
longest river:	River Murray-Darling 3 750km

Great Barrier Reef.

Key

NEW ZEALAND	country names are labelled like this
■	capital cities
•	other important cities

Fact box

population:	32 644 000 people
largest country:	Australia 7 692 024km²
country with most people:	Australia 20 155 000
largest city:	Sydney, Australia 4 124 000

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