

# Maps that Stretch Minds

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**Making Maps: DIY Cartography** John Krygier's map blog at <http://makingmaps.net/>

**Guilford Publications** publishers of *Making Maps, Second Edition: A Visual Guide to Map Design for GIS* by Krygier & Wood. was written for the "Do It Yourself" (DIY) cartographer – the student, the new GIS user, the internet user – anyone who wants to make maps that work and look great.

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