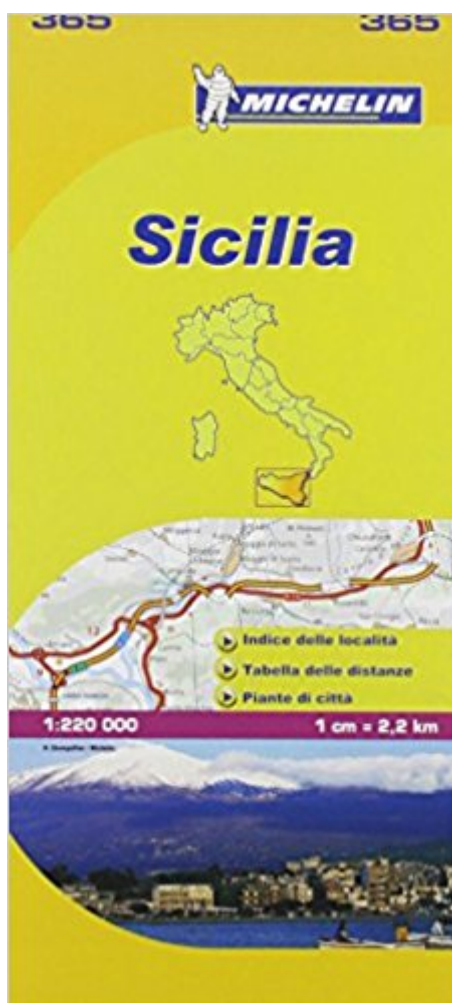


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Customer Reviews

We use Michelin maps whenever we go to Europe, and there's no doubt in my mind that this one has every possible road in Sicily included in it. That's the good news. The bad news is that the Sicilians are not the best at posting road signs to help you track your course, so your map needs to pull double duty as both travel planner and neolithic GPS. Fortunately, the Michelin map is so detailed that you can pretty much solve any "where the hell are we?" problem in relatively short order. PS: GO to Sicily! Incredible! Avoid driving in Palermo unless you have a deathwish, but make Selinunte and Siracusa must-see stops on your journey. And that that Michelin map!

With two friends we have been planning a trip to Sicily done by car and with a starting point in Rome. Let me tell you, the rather large map of Sicily was always displayed on my dining room table and often consulted. Not very practical to consult it in a car while driving, but totally great to consult before the trip and during the trip at the end of each day in one's hotel room. Michelin makes the best maps! I also bought Michelin Italy Road Atlas to be consulted in the car while driving to our various destinations. A very good duo to have. Hope this helps. Ciao!

Do you love maps for their own beauty and logicity? If you don't, if you prefer your cell-phone/ dashboard GPS, stop reading now! You're plainly of a different generation, or else you've acquired

some incidental hamster DNA. But don't berate me, call me a Luddite, etc.! My wife already performs that chore whenever we switch seats, driver to passenger. I snarl at her when she can't scan a map and "read" our route at a glance. She snarls at me when I can't keep track of the little green hamster crawling along its narrow tube on the iPad or 'Droid. Maps have always been an art form as much as a geopolitical tool. Yes, these Michelin maps are almost wall-size, and yes, it can be awkward to fold and refold them while riding "shotgun" in a cinquecento. But they tell you so much! Even when they are only road-network lines, they're loaded with imagery. This map of Sicily, for instance, reveals much of the economy and demography of the island in a single scan. It's an empty overpopulated place! The 'autostrada' skims along the north coast line from Rosolini in the southeast to Trapani in the northwest, and slashes across the interior from Palermo to Catania, but it oddly shuns many of the larger secondary cities which the squiggly old roads connect. Ecco! Urbanization, flight from the farms to the slums, for anyone to see. Look what huge patches of the island have only the third-level narrow two-lane roads, spiderwebbing the still oppressive latifundia. And yes, this map shows footpaths -- thin broken lines -- to be the most universal infrastructure of Sicily; there are indeed villages in the interior that show no other access routes than footpaths! Are they still inhabited? How can I resist finding out! And here's a mystery! Straight south of Cefal , a north-coastal city where I'm planning to rent a villa for a month, there's a cluster of towns large enough to rate 'pink' blotches in the Michelin legend -- Gangi, Blufi, Bompietro and a dozen more -- all tightly linked by one-lane roads and footpaths without even a third-level highway to any of them. If the Sicily of Lampedusa's "Leopardo" still exists, it has to be there! A guidebook is a heavy chunk of outdated misinformation. Maps, of course, get out of date also, but less quickly. I know, I know, the future belongs to touch-screen electronics. I'm being disingenuous, deliberately, about google maps and such. I use them too. But I sincerely hope that maps such as the Michelin series are not doomed to obsolescence and extinction.

This is one huge map. Very detailed and much too big to open in a car. So, think of a dining room table and look at where you want to go. I plan to make a copy of the area where we will be driving. That should help,

Believe the other reviews that say this map is big! I bought it to tape it to a wall as we planned our trip. It is perfect for a wall or a large dining room table. High quality map. I can't imagine trying to use it while driving, but I will bring it with me for use in hotels as we journey. Definitely worth the price.

Use a marker to follow your trip

Magnificent map-making. Beautifully legible. It is a bit big and hard to unfold in a car, but a great planning tool to use before and during a trip.

Never thought I would have enjoyed Sicily as much as I did and this map was a great aid. GPS and Garmin type products are great, but a good map makes the adventure and memories.

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