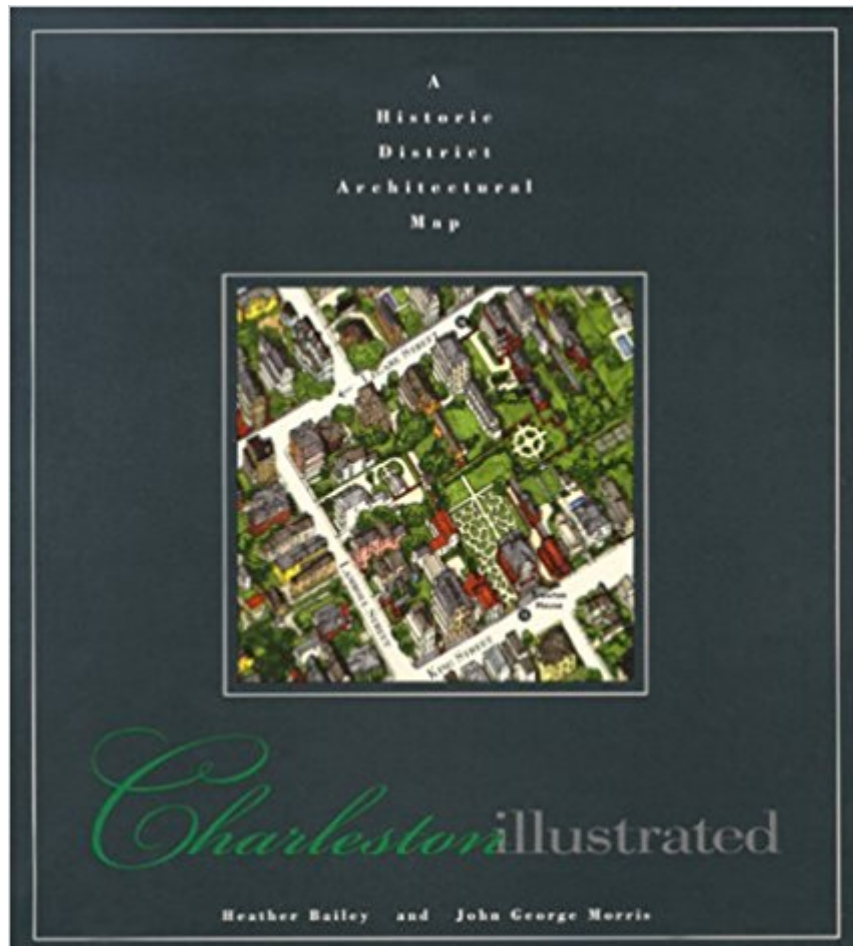




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Charleston Illustrated Map



Synopsis

Beautifully detailed, hand-drawn three dimensional map of the downtown historic district. As one of the world's most detailed maps, it is the only map of Charleston to portray every structure within its boundaries, uniquely capturing the historic district's architecture and charm. Includes listings and locations for Historic Landmarks, Museums, Churches & Temples, Galleries, Hotels, and Restaurants. Packaged in an illustrated protective case.

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"The size and color of each building are accurately represented, and the designers say they are confident they've included every structure within the map's boundaries." -- Ron Menchaca, The Post & Courier, Charleston, SC
"What a beautiful idea and a beautiful piece of work." -- David Agnew, Mayor's Office - City of Charleston
"an artistic yet accurate depiction... like a page from a storybook."
-- Ron Menchaca, The Post & Courier, Charleston, SC

John G. Morris and Heather Bailey are husband and wife illustrators who currently teach at the Savannah College of Art & Design.

Out-freakin-standing!!! What a beautiful, hand-rendered, 3D birds-eye-view architectural map by Heather Bailey and John George Morris. They illustrated every single structure within the historic district boundaries. It's the only map of its kind in Charleston. This is truly an exceptional piece of artwork, let alone just a map. I understand years of drawing went into it. I love all of the historical factoids for the key landmarks, as well, and how they are separated from

restaurants, museums, shops, churches, etc. The map is huge, too, at 36x48" and really meant to be mounted on a wall to appreciate it, but it also folds down to a portable size and was shipped in a nicely designed pocket folder. That's probably my only criticism, is that when opened at full size it is perhaps too large if it were used during a walking tour or a vacation visit. However, that is mere personal preference. Very exciting to immediately get absorbed in it once I laid it out on my dining room table as shown in the photo. Added a close-up of the artwork, too. If you love Charleston, her architecture and her history, I recommend getting this map.

Having grown up in Charleston, I looked at this map first to find the details of the places I knew best. It was almost shocking to find the dormer window of my old bedroom in the upstairs half of the house we rented on South Battery St. Details like this make this map amazing, and the map is filled with them. Hidden gardens, oddly shaped roofs, tiny carriage houses are all revealed in stunning detail. For anyone who loves Charleston, this map is a work that reveals her beauty through the details. For anyone just getting to know the city, it will give you insight to hidden treasures that even locals would normally miss. The overall presentation of the map is first rate. Even the package (a clever heavy paper sleeve that opens like a book) is thoughtfully designed and beautifully executed. I strongly recommend this map to anyone who is visiting Charleston, or to anyone who lives there and loves the city.

This is one awesome map. The map really speaks for itself, so take a look at some of the closeups available on the company's website (google the title - the website will be in the first page of results) It does not cover the area towards the Citadel and MUSC, but I found every detail of the coverage area to be highly accurate. Definitely worth the price - the map is pretty large. I actually got the poster version, available on the website, and more suitable for display.

I have lived here for 9 years and this is the first map that does this wonderful city justice (besides the historical maps!). While it does not look like the 'old Charleston' maps of the Civil War, it has everything any tourist, resident, or map enthusiast must have. If your visiting Charleston, bring it along as a up-to-date guide to the city. If your a resident, this is actually a contemporary map that is perfect for a wall in your office or home. If your a map enthusiast, take notes on what Morris and Bailey have done to put the Holy City on the map!

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