Earth: A Photo e-Book from NASA

TRANSCRIPT

Looking back from space, astronaut Edgar Mitchell once called Earth "a sparkling blue and white jewel," and it does dazzle the eye. The planet's palette of colors and textures and shapes—far more than just blues and whites—are spread across the pages of this book. We chose these images because they inspire. They tell a story of a 4.5-billion-year-old planet where there is always something new to see. They tell a story of land, wind, water, ice, and air as they can only be viewed from above. They show us that no matter what the human mind can imagine, no matter what the artist can conceive, there are few things more fantastic and inspiring than the world as it already is. The truth of our planet is just as compelling as any fiction.

We hope you enjoy this satellite view of Earth. It is your planet. It is NASA's mission.