**Middle East Description**

The so-called modern version of the Middle East sits **where Africa, Asia and Europe meet.** The countries of the modern Middle East are all part of Asia, but for clarity reasons we geographically show them here as a separate landmass.

[**The Greater Middle East Map**](http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/asia/lgcolor/middleeastmap.htm) includes all countries on the map above including Afghanistan and Pakistan, and all the other "stans," but it also includes many [**North African**](http://www.worldatlas.com/webimage/countrys/asia/lgcolor/middleeastmap.htm)countries like Egypt, Libya and Sudan.