



nüvi® 500

Part Number: 010-00700-10

Drive, hike, bike or boat. With the rugged, waterproof, multi-mode nüvi 500, you can do it all. Packed with detailed street and topographic maps, nüvi 500 is ready for adventure both on and off the beaten path.

Like the [550](#), nüvi 500 switches modes to navigate your active lifestyle and provides spoken turn-by-turn directions to your destination.

Take It Anywhere

nüvi 500 features driving, walking, bicycling and boating modes which customize your nüvi specifically for your method of travel. This portable hybrid combines the advanced navigation features and large, color display found in automotive units with the durability of an outdoor handheld. Sleek and slim, you can slip nüvi 500 into your pocket or backpack. The user-replaceable, rechargeable lithium-ion battery lets nüvi navigate you on roads or off.

Get Turn-by-Turn Directions

nüvi 500's intuitive interface greets you with two simple questions: "Where to?" and "View Map." Touch the color screen to easily look up addresses and services and get voice-prompted turn-by-turn directions to your destination. It comes preloaded with City Navigator® NT map data for the lower 48 states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico or one European region or country (click Versions tab to view all). It's packed with millions of points of interest (POIs) and features digital elevation maps that show you shaded terrain contours at higher zoom levels. With nüvi 500, you can upload [custom points of interest](#) (POIs) and navigate to [geo-tagged photos](#). If you're lost, use the Where Am I? emergency locator to view your exact latitude and longitude coordinates, the nearest address and intersection, and the closest hospitals, police stations and fuel stations.

Navigate Off-Road

nüvi 500 also includes preloaded U.S. topographic maps and accepts optional mapping for all of your outdoor adventures (see Maps tab for compatible maps). Conveniently plug in BlueChart® g2 Vision and Inland Lakes Vision marine maps on a microSD™ card for a great day on the water. The card slot is located inside the waterproof battery compartment, so you don't have to worry about getting it wet. With its high-sensitivity GPS receiver and HotFix™ satellite prediction, nüvi 500 locates your position quickly and precisely and maintains its GPS location even in heavy cover, deep canyons and near tall building and trees.

Expand Your GPS

Navigation is just the beginning. nüvi 500 includes many travel tools, including world travel clock with time zones, currency converter, measurement converter, calculator and more. Show off photos of your excursions with nüvi's picture viewer. Even download geocaches and instructions from Geocaching.com straight to your unit. nüvi 500 comes preloaded with a free MAD Maps scenic road trip for Historic Route 66. Get turn-by-turn directions on motorcycle-friendly roads and insider tips for an unforgettable ride across America. It supports optional FM traffic alerts or optional MSN® Direct content. The 500 also features Garmin Lock™, an anti-theft feature, and is compatible with our free Garmin Garage, where you can download custom vehicles that show your location on the map.

Physical & Performance:	
Unit dimensions, WxHxD:	4.21"W x 3.35"H x .9"D (10.7 x 8.5 x 2.3 cm)
Display size, WxH:	2.8"W x 2.1"H (7.2 x 5.4 cm); 3.5" diag (8.9 cm)
Display resolution, WxH:	320 x 240 pixels
Display type:	QVGA color antiglare TFT with white backlight
Weight:	7.6 ounces (215 g)
Battery:	user-replaceable, rechargeable lithium-ion
Battery life:	up to 8 hours
Waterproof:	yes (IPX7)
High-sensitivity receiver:	yes
RoHS version available:	yes
Maps & Memory:	
Basemap:	yes
Preloaded maps:	yes (regional or 48 states+TOPO)
Ability to add maps:	yes
Built-in memory:	internal solid state
Accepts data cards:	microSD™ card (not included)
Waypoints/favorites/locations:	1000
Routes:	10
Features:	
Voice prompts (e.g. "Turn right in 500 ft."):	yes (internal speaker)
Speaks street names (e.g. "Turn right ON ELM STREET in 500 ft.") :	no
Voice-activated navigation (operate device with	no

spoken commands):	
Lane assist (guides you to the proper lane for navigation):	no
3-D building view (displays buildings in 3-D):	no
Auto sort multiple destinations (provides most direct route):	yes
Auto re-route (fast off-route and detour recalculation):	yes
Choice of route setup (faster time, shorter distance, off road):	yes
Route avoidance (avoid highways, tolls etc.):	yes
Bluetooth® wireless technology (connect to your phone for hands-free calling):	no
MSN® Direct compatible:	yes
FM traffic compatible:	yes
XM® Navtraffic & Radio for U.S. compatible:	no
Speed limit indicator (displays speed limit for most major roads):	yes
Where Am I? (find closest hospitals, police & gas stations, nearest address & intersection):	yes
Garmin Locate™ (marks position when removed from windshield mount):	no
Qwerty or ABC keyboard (choose keyboard layout):	no
Multimode (switches modes to drive, hike, bike or boat):	yes
Custom POIs (ability to add additional points of interest):	yes
Garmin Garage™ vehicles compatible (download car-shaped icons to your device):	yes
Garmin Garage™ voices compatible (download custom voices to your device):	yes
Photo navigation (navigate to geotagged photos):	yes
World travel clock, currency & unit converter, calculator:	yes
Picture viewer:	yes
MP3 player:	no
Audio book player:	no

FM transmitter:	no
Headphone jack/audio line-out:	no
Remote control:	no
Garmin Lock™ (anti-theft feature):	yes
Touchscreen:	yes
Dead reckoning:	no
Motorcycle-friendly:	yes
Geocaching-friendly:	yes
Additional:	This USB mass storage device is compatible with Windows® 2000 or later and Mac® OS X 10.4 or later.

What's in the Box:

- nüvi 500
- U.S. version includes preloaded U.S. topographic maps plus City Navigator® NT data for the lower 48 states, Hawaii and Puerto Rico (no Alaska or Canada detail); European versions include City Navigator NT data for one region or country (click versions tab to view all)
- Lithium-ion battery
- Vehicle suction cup mount
- Vehicle power cable
- Dashboard disc
- Quick start manual

NOTICE TO DRIVERS IN CALIFORNIA AND MINNESOTA: State law prohibits drivers in California and Minnesota from using suction mounts on their windshields while operating motor vehicles. Other Garmin dashboard or friction mounting options should be used. Garmin does not take any responsibility for any fines, penalties, or damages that may be incurred as a result of disregarding this notice. (See California Vehicle Code Section 26708(a); Minnesota Statutes 2005, Section 169.71)

OPTIONAL ACCESSORIES

Traffic Receivers



[GTM™ 25 with lifetime traffic](#)

010-00722-13



[MSN® Direct Receiver / GDB 55](#)

010-00723-00

Accessory Kits



[Battery pack combo with battery charger](#)

010-11143-01

Cases and Covers



[Carrying case](#)

010-11143-02

Mounts



[Portable Friction Mount](#)

010-10908-00



[Universal mounting cradle w/power cable \(bare wires\)](#)

010-11143-07



[Universal scooter mount](#)

010-11143-03



[Vehicle suction cup mount](#)

010-11143-05



[Dash mount](#)

010-10747-02

Adapters



[AC to 12V power adapter](#)

010-10723-08



[AC Charger and International Adapter Set](#)

010-10723-00

Cables



[Vehicle power cable](#)

010-10723-06



[USB cable](#)

010-10723-01

Batteries



[Lithium-ion battery \(replacement\)](#)

010-11143-00

Other



[Dashboard disc \(small\), 2-pack](#)

010-10646-01

Datacards



[Garmin Travel Guide™, Fodor's North America \(SD Card\)](#)

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