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Maps 1500-2004 This is the portal for their digitized map collection. You can do a variety of searches from this screen.

Sample search:
   Discovery & Exploration
   Creator Index: select U to Y for ..........
   Waldseemuller, Martin, 1470-1521 (a friend of Amerigo Vespucci!)
   This 1507 world map was the first to include the word America.
   Click map.
      Zoom In (select a radio button)
      Window size 640 X 480
      Click the navigator view map anywhere

Sample search:
   Keyword
   Type Niagara Falls in the search box. Search.
   Gallery View
   Select a map and click to open.
   All known metadata is given, such as known dates.
   Click on the map to view details.

To view maps:
Maps and other large images in American Memory are presented as GIF or JPEG files. MrSid is a special downloadable viewer where the compression ratio is approximately 22:1, depending on image content and color depth.

To change view, select desired zoom level and window size from the options below the Zoom View window and then click on the image. The display will be centered where you click. To move up, down, left, or right within a zoom level, click near the edge of the image in the Zoom View or select an area in the Navigator View. The red box on the Navigator View indicates the area of the image being viewed in the Zoom View.