

Longest Rivers Of The World

The table given below enlists the top 50 longest rivers in the world along with the length of each river, their source and the countries they touch or flow through.

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No.	River Names	Length (km)	Outflow	Countries Sharing Drainage Basin
1.	Nile– White-Nile –Kagera –Nyabarongo –Mwogo –Rukarara	7,088	Mediterranean	Ethiopia, Eritrea, Sudan, Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Egypt, Democratic Republic of the Congo, South Sudan
2.	Amazon–Ucayali–Tambo–Ene–Mantaro	6,992	Atlantic Ocean	Brazil, Peru, Bolivia, Colombia, Ecuador, Venezuela, Guyana
3.	Yangtze (Chang Jiang; Long River)	6,418	East China Sea	China
4.	Mississippi–Missouri–Jefferson–Beaverhead–Red Rock–Hell Roaring	6,275	Gulf of Mexico	United States (98.5%), Canada (1.5%)
5.	Yenisei–Angara–Selenge–Ilder	5,539	Kara Sea	Russia (97%), Mongolia (2.9%)
6.	Yellow River (Huang He)	5,464	Bohai Sea	China
7.	Ob–Irtysh	5,410	Gulf of Ob	Russia, Kazakhstan, China, Mongolia
8.	Río de la Plata–Paraná–Rio Grande	4,880	Río de la Plata	Brazil (46.7%), Argentina (27.7%), Paraguay (13.5%), Bolivia (8.3%), Uruguay (3.8%)
9.	Congo–Chambeshi (Zaire)	4,700	Atlantic Ocean	Democratic Republic of the Congo, Central

				African Republic, Angola, Republic of the Congo, Tanzania, Cameroon, Zambia, Burundi, Rwanda
10.	Amur–Argun–Kherlen (Heilong Jiang)	4,444	Sea of Okhotsk	Russia, China, Mongolia
11.	Lena	4,400	Laptev Sea	Russia
12.	Mekong (Lancang Jiang)	4,350	South China Sea	China, Myanmar, Laos, Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam
13.	Mackenzie–Slave–Peace–Finlay	4,241	Beaufort Sea	Canada
14.	Niger	4,200	Gulf of Guinea	Nigeria (26.6%), Mali (25.6%), Niger (23.6%), Algeria (7.6%), Guinea (4.5%), Cameroon (4.2%), Burkina Faso (3.9%), Côte d'Ivoire, Benin, Chad
15.	Brahmaputra–Tsangpo	3,848	Ganges	India (58.0%), China (19.7%), Nepal (9.0%), Bangladesh (6.6%), Disputed India/China (4.2%), Bhutan (2.4%)
16.	Murray–Darling–Culgoa–Balonne–Condamine	3,672	Southern Ocean	Australia
17.	Tocantins–Araguaia	3,650	Atlantic Ocean, Amazon	Brazil
18.	Volga	3,645	Caspian Sea	Russia
19.	Indus–Sênggê Zangbo	3,610	Arabian Sea	Pakistan (93%), India and China

20.	Shatt al-Arab–Euphrates–Murat	3,596	Persian Gulf	Iraq (60.5%), Turkey (24.8%), Syria (14.7%)
21.	Madeira–Mamoré–Grande–Caine–Rocha	3,380	Amazon	Brazil, Bolivia, Peru
22.	Purús	3,211	Amazon	Brazil, Peru
23.	Yukon	3,185	Bering Sea	United States (59.8%), Canada (40.2%)
24.	São Francisco	2,900	Atlantic Ocean	Brazil
25.	Syr Darya–Naryn	3,078	Aral Sea	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Tajikistan
26.	Salween (Nu Jiang)	3,060	Andaman Sea	China (52.4%), Myanmar (43.9%), Thailand (3.7%)
27.	Saint Lawrence–Niagara–Detroit–Saint Clair–Saint Marys–Saint Louis–North (Great Lakes)	3,058	Gulf of Saint Lawrence	Canada (52.1%), United States (47.9%)
28.	Rio Grande	3,057	Gulf of Mexico	United States (52.1%), Mexico (47.9%)
29.	Lower Tunguska	2,989	Yenisei	Russia
30.	Danube–Breg (Donau, Dunăre, Duna, Dunav, Dunaj)	2,888	Black Sea	Romania (28.9%), Hungary (11.7%), Austria (10.3%), Serbia (10.3%), Germany (7.5%), Slovakia (5.8%), Bulgaria (5.2%), Croatia (4.5%), Ukraine (3.8%)
31.	Irrawaddy River–N'Mai River–Dulong River–Kelaoluo–Gada Qu	2,727	Andaman Sea	China, Myanmar

32.	Zambezi (Zambesi)	2,693	Mozambique Channel	Zambia (41.6%), Angola (18.4%), Zimbabwe (15.6%), Mozambique (11.8%), Malawi (8.0%), Tanzania (2.0%), Namibia, Botswana
33.	Vilyuy	2,650	Lena	Russia
34.	Araguaia	2,627	Tocantins	Brazil
35.	Ganges–Hooghly–Padma (Ganga)	2,620	Bay of Bengal	India, Bangladesh, Nepal
36.	Amu Darya–Panj	2,620	Aral Sea	Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Afghanistan
37.	Japurá (Rio Yapurá)	2,615	Amazon	Brazil, Colombia
38.	Nelson–Saskatchewan	2,570	Hudson Bay	Canada, United States
39.	Paraguay (Río-Paraguay)	2,549	Paraná	Brazil, Paraguay, Bolivia, Argentina
40.	Kolyma	2,513	East Siberian Sea	Russia
41.	Pilcomayo	2,500	Paraguay	Paraguay, Argentina, Bolivia
42.	Upper Ob–Katun	2,490	Ob	Russia
43.	Ishim	2,450	Irtys	Kazakhstan, Russia
44.	Juruá	2,410	Amazon	Peru, Brazil
45.	Ural	2,428	Caspian Sea	Russia, Kazakhstan
46.	Arkansas	2,348	Mississippi	United States
47.	Colorado (western U.S.)	2,333	Gulf of California	United States, Mexico
48.	Olenyok	2,292	Laptev Sea	Russia

49.	Dnieper	2,287	Black Sea	Russia, Belarus, Ukraine
50.	Aldan	2,273	Lena	Russia

Important Rivers of the World - Facts

- The river Zaire crosses the Equator twice.
- The river Limpopo crosses the Tropic of Capricorn twice.
- The river River Hwang Ho or the Yellow River is known as China's sorrow.
- The river Nile begins south of the Equator, crosses the Tropic of Cancer and then empties into the sea.
- The river Amazon throughout its entire length does not have any bridges across it.
- Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Yemen, Bahrain, Qatar are the countries which do not have any rivers flowing through them.
- River Danube flows through 4 capital cities, Belgrade (Serbia), Budapest (Hungary), Bratislava (Slovakia) and Vienna (Austria). Also, it flows through ten countries namely Austria, Bulgaria, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Moldova, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Ukraine.

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