

America ("Америка"), US magazine sold in the USSR, issue #182, December 1971.

Large format, measures 13 1/2" x 11 1/2", 60 pp. Russian text. Generously illustrated with b/w and color photos. In the issue: American freedom of speech and dissent in public debate, the moon mission, mercury in the water alert.

In excellent condition. Minimal shelf wear to the cover, small separations at the spine, top and bottom. The binding staples are tight and strong. The internal pages show barely-there corner bumps but no rips, stains or any other significant damage.

America was the US response to the Soviet English-language propaganda magazines distributed in the US, such as USSR and Soviet Life. It was a huge ideological mistake of the communist regime as it opened a window into the American way of life for the Soviet readership behind the Iron Curtain. The magazine was a highly coveted item, to be collected or sold on the black market for exorbitant sums of money. Its distribution in the USSR was severely limited for decades, the limitations lifted only in late 1980s with the advent of "perestroika".

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