Idea from http://mathematica.stackexchange.com/questions/18375/world-plot-without-borders-between-countries:

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ds = Import[
  "http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/2006/1187/basemaps/continents/continents.zip", "SHP"]
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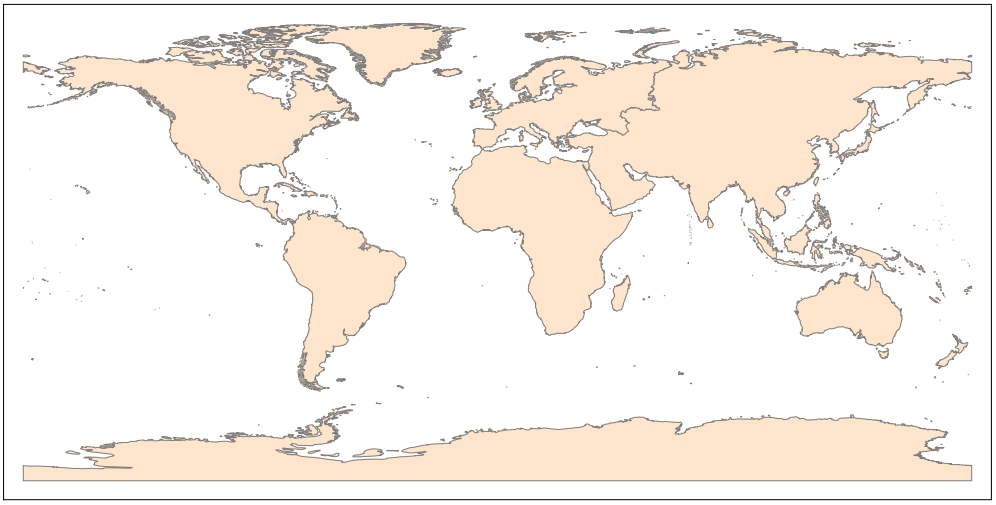

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polys = Cases[ds, _Polygon, ∞]
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{Polygon[{{93.2755, 80.2636}, {93.313, 80.2742}, {93.2725, 80.3019}, ··· 254 ···,
    {93.1358, 80.2805}, {93.255, 80.2681}, {93.2755, 80.2636}}], ··· 1962 ···}
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vs = Union[Cases[polys, {lat_Real, lon_Real} :> v[lat, lon], ∞]]
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{v[-180., -90.], v[-180., -89.], v[-180., -88.], v[-180., -87.], v[-180., -86.],
 v[-180., -85.], ··· 177 741 ···, v[180., 65.9801], v[180., 66.9801],
 v[180., 67.9801], v[180., 68.9801], v[180., 70.9972], v[180., 71.5359]}
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es = Union[Flatten[polys /. Polygon[l_List] :> MapThread[e, {l, RotateLeft[l]}]]]
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{e[{-180., -90.}, {-180., -89.}], e[{-180., -89.}, {-180., -88.}],
 e[{-180., -88.}, {-180., -87.}], ··· 181 205 ···,
 e[{180., 71.5359}, {180., 70.9972}], e[{180., 71.5359}, {180., 71.5359}]}
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