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Spain and Portugal. Divided into all its Kingdoms and Principalities &c. Agreeable to Modern History

Stock#: 94369 Map Maker: Moll

Date: 1720Place: LondonColor: Outline Color

Condition: VG+

Size: $10 \times 7.5 \text{ inches}$

Price: \$ 145.00



Description:

Authored by the renowned British cartographer, Herman Moll, and published in London in 1729, this attractive map encapsulates the geographical demarcations of the Iberian Peninsula during the 18th century. Serving as a testament to pre-Enlightenment cartography, the map captures the geopolitical landscape of the Spanish and Portuguese kingdoms, bringing to life an era marked by territorial expansion and exploration.

The representation of the Iberian Peninsula showcases the individual provinces depicted in varied outline colors, each indicative of the different kingdoms and principalities as understood in modern history. The map offers an intricate visualization of the regional topography, presenting a variety of natural and manmade features. Roads and towns punctuate the landscape, suggesting the infrastructure and settlement patterns of the time. The rendition of the water bodies, including rivers, bays, and islands, offers valuable information about the hydrographical attributes of the region.

Unfolding against the backdrop of the Age of Enlightenment, this map reflects the historical shifts of the early 18th century. The depiction of the Iberian Peninsula came during a period when Spain and Portugal were major global powers, their influences shaping Europe and the wider world. This map offers a visual narrative of their territorial boundaries during a period marked by political maneuvering, shifting alliances, and changing colonial territories.

The map, produced by Herman Moll, is a testament to his reputation for precision and attention to detail. A prominent figure in British cartography, Moll's work is known for its accurate geographical information and its aesthetically pleasing design. This map of Spain and Portugal is no exception, carrying the distinct



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style and quality of Moll's cartography and offering an engaging window into the historical geography of the Iberian Peninsula.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in outline.