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Recentissima Novi Orbis Sive Americae Septentrionalis et Meridionalis Tabula . . . [California as an Island]

Stock#: 34886
Map Maker: Danckerts
Date: 1696 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 23 x 19.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Justus Danckert's second map of America, with interesting treatments of Australia and the NW Coast of America.

Includes an excellent example of California as an Island, based upon Sanson's second projection. The open ended Great Lakes (based upon Sanson) and primitive early treatment of the Mississippi River are also noteworthy, as is the early Rio Colorado, extending to a lake in Apachas and Navaio regions of the Southwest, and mistakenly referencing Taos and Xila, indicating a confusion with the Rio Grande regarding the Taos reference. The interior of South America includes tribal vignettes in Brazil and a misprojected, overly wide projection of the continent.

Two of the most interesting features of the map are the massive Terrae Esonis and early Australia. Terrae Esonis, which connects the Straits of Anian to Japan, includes over a dozen place names, one the boldest renditions of this myth. Quiri Regio, the Northern parts of what would become Australia, are also well delineated, showing what would become Carpentaria, the Gulf of Carpentaria and Arnham's Land. A massive island of Isabella appears above Australia. Several early place names and islands are also shown.

This is the second state of the map. The first state has not place names in Terra Esonis. A third state, dated circa 1727, was published by De Wit and also bears the Ottens imprint.



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