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Carte Reduite De L'Ocean Oriental ou Mer Des Indes Seconde Edition Pour Servir aux Vaisseau du Roy . . . Par order de M. De. Machault . . . MDCC LVII

Stock#:40705Map Maker:Bellin

Date:1757Place:ParisColor:Hand ColoredCondition:VGSize:33 x 21.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine map of the Indian Ocean, from Australia and Borneo to Africa and the Arabian Peninsula, published in Paris by Nicolas Bellin.

This is the second edition of Bellin's map, significantly revised from the first edition of 1740: {{ inventory_detail_link('37822') }}

The map has the following significant revisions:

- Decorative cartouche added.
- The chart extends a bit further to the east and west, encompassing the Philippines and some of the west coast of South Africa.
- The East Coast of Africa is significantly refined.
- The shape of Madagascar has been significantly altered.
- The shape of the Gujarat Peninsula is greatly improved.
- The mouth of the Ganges River and Bay of Bengal is significantly revised
- The Malaysian Peninsula is much narrower and the coastline reworked
- Significant revisions are shown in Australia and far greater coverage.

Western Australia is shown, with seven place names, including "Baye des Chiens marins vue par Dampier en 1691" and "Coste veue par Mr. Duquesne en 1687".

This chart was produced by Jacques-Nicolas Bellin (1703-1772), France's preeminent maritime cartographer and the Premier Ingénieur of the Depot de la Marine (the French Hydrographical Office), as



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well as the Official Hydrographer of the King Louis XV, appearing in volume 2 of Bellin's Bellin's *Hydrographie Francoise*, one of the most important compilations of Sea Charts published in the 18th Century.

Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling and foxing.