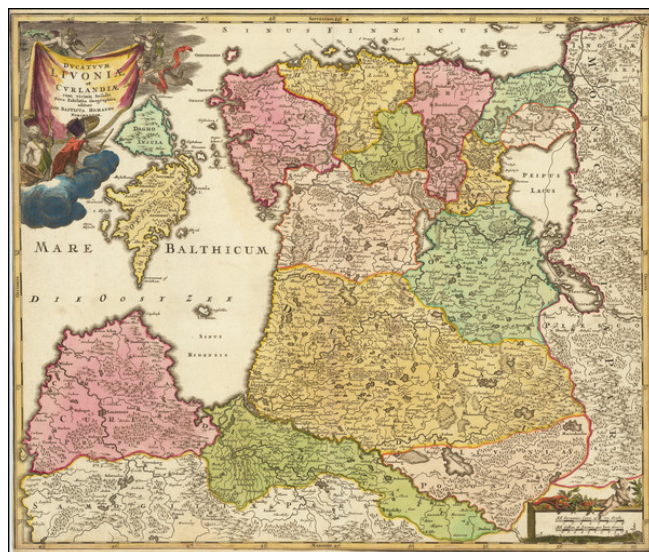7407 La Jolla Boulevard
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Map Maker: Homann

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Place: Amsterdam
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Description:

Early Map of Estonia and Latvia

Nice example Homann's map of the northern Baltic region, published in Nuremberg.

Homann's map is a representation of the regions of Livonia and Courland as they stood in the early 18th century. Understanding the historical context of these territories during this period provides a deeper insight into the complexities depicted within the map.

In the early part of the 18th century, Livonia and Courland underwent significant political and cultural transformations. Livonia, spanning parts of modern-day Estonia and Latvia, was a region marked by constant change, hosting major cities like Riga and Tartu and cradled by important rivers such as the Daugava and the Gauja. Courland, primarily corresponding to western Latvia, was also an influential area, with Jelgava as a prominent city, and the Lielupe River playing a significant role.

Livonia, during this period, was a battleground for powers such as Sweden, Poland, and Russia, leading to shifts in governance and cultural influence. Cities like Riga were vital centers of trade and culture, reflecting the multiplicity of external influences.

Courland, on the other hand, maintained its distinct identity. Although smaller and less populous, Courland's duchy was known for its maritime orientation and economic ambition. Jelgava, as a major urban hub, exemplified the region's drive and vitality.

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