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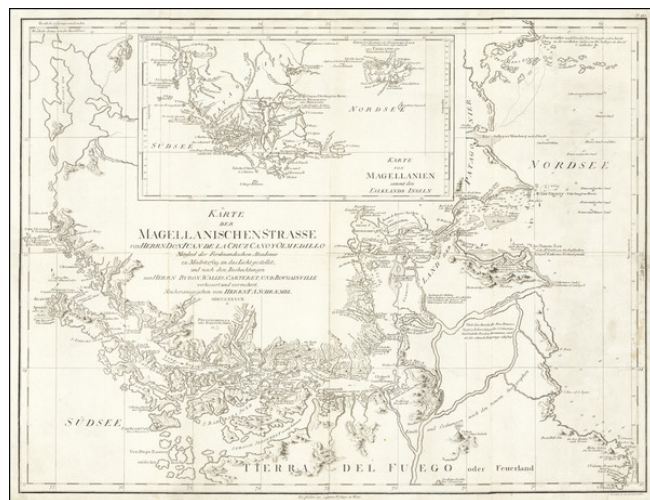
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(Straits of Magellan) Karte der Magellanischen Strasse von Herrn Don Iuan de la Cruz Cano y Olmedillo Mitglied der Ferdinandischen Akademie zu Madrit 1769 an das Licht gestellet, und nach den Beobachtungen der Herrn Byron, Wallis, Carteret, und Bougainville . . . MDCCLXXXVII

Stock#: 68181
Map Maker: Schraembl

Date: 1787
Place: Vienna
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 26.5 x 20 inches

Price: \$ 695.00



Description:

Navigating Magellan's Strait at the End of the Eighteenth Century

Sharply-detailed map of the Strait of Magellan, published in Vienna by F.A. Schraembl. The map provides a fine depiction of the Strait, with a large inset showing the wider region of Patagonia and the Falklands.

Place names are mainly shown in German, but they are often paired with Spanish or English equivalents for clarity. The Strait is filled with place names, notes about indigenous peoples, and notable geographic features like peaks. Hydrographic information is shared as well, with soundings, obstructions, anchorages, and directional arrows for sailing.

The title of the map credits Spanish mapmaker Juan de la Cruz Cano y Olmedilla as its primary source. This is a reference to the *Mapa marítimo del Estrecho de Magallanes* (1769), dedicated to Pedro Rodríguez, the Count of Campomones, a Spanish statesman. While Cruz Cano is best known for his monumental map of South America, first printed in 1775, his regional map of southern South America is also exhaustively detailed and stylishly drawn.

While Cruz Cano's work is certainly related to this Viennese variant, this example also closely resembles *A chart of the Straits of Magellan. Inlarged from the chart published at Madrid in 1769, by Don Juan de la Cruz Cano y Olmedilla of the Royal Academy of St. Fernando. and improved from the observations and*



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surveys of Captns. Byron, Wallis and Carteret compared with those of Monsr. de Bougainville. This reissue, which includes the inset, was published by Sayer and Bennett in London in 1775.

The other sources listed for the map include the 1760s expeditions of Byron, Wallis, Carteret and Bougainville. It was published as the area became of increased interest as more and more ships passed into the Pacific to take advantage of the growing whaling and sealing trades.

The map provides an exceptional treatment of the Straits, Tierra del Fuego and the contiguous parts of Patagonia.

Detailed Condition: