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**[Caspian Sea / Kamtchatka] Geographica Nova ex Oriente gratiosissima, duabus tabulis  
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**Stock#:** 89998  
**Map Maker:** Homann  
**Date:** 1720 circa  
**Place:** Nuremberg  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 22.5 x 19 inches  
**Price:** \$ 475.00



**Description:**

Unusual pair of maps of the Caspian Sea and Kamchatka, published by JB Homann.

The two maps surround a decorative central image with allegorical figures and putti in a cloud background. The map of the Caspian Sea is drawn from Karl van Verden's 1722 survey of the Caspian, the first accurate map of the sea the region. The second map cover the *Jedso* as part of the Kamchatka Peninsula with a huge unnamed landmass (reminiscent of the *Compagnies Land* on earlier maps) to the east. The image is drawn from a Russian expedition in 1697 that encountered a shipwrecked Japanese in Kamchatka. The sailor told the Russians that Japan was not far from Kamchatka and that the sea between was strewn with islands.

**Detailed Condition:**