

# Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.

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## [ Map Game Board ] Wallis's New Game, exhibiting a Voyage round the World.

**Stock#:** 98593 **Map Maker:** Wallis

Date: 1823 circa Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG

**Size:** 23.5 x 14.5 inches

**Price:** \$ 2,400.00



### **Description:**

Nice example of Edward Wallis's educational and decorative double hemispheric board game representing a voyage around the world, commencing in the British Isles and culminating in London.

This remarkable educational map, evolving Wallis's 1796 world map game, which has been significantly revised and updated to include the 1820s geographical discoveries, was intended as an educational device, engaging young minds in world exploration via a board game.

The map showcases the world in two conjoined hemispheres, bordered by five additional hemispheres detailing 'Geographical Circles,' 'Zones,' 'Parallels of Latitude,' 'Meridians,' and 'Geographical Characters.' It invites players on an intricate global journey, traversing from Africa to the exotic lands of 'New Holland' (Australia), ascending to the reaches of China and Japan, then voyaging through the Americas to the distant Pacific Isles, and finally sailing back to London.

This game not only highlights the British territories considered ripe for exploration and trade but also encapsulates significant international ports and countries of the time, offering a comprehensive global perspective to the discerning collector.

#### **The Wallis Publishing Firm**

John Wallis Sr. (died 1818) was an English board game publisher, bookseller, map/chart seller, print seller, music seller, and cartographer. With his sons John Wallis Jr. and Edward Wallis, he was one of the most prolific publishers of board games of the late 18th and early 19th centuries.

Wallis's company occupied a number of sites in London, England including:



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- 16 Ludgate Street (under the name "Map Warehouse") from 1775.
- 13 Warwick Square (under the name "Instructive Toy Warehouse") from 1805.
- 42 Skinner Street, Snow Hill this address was mainly used by Edward Wallis when working alone or when working with his father, in those cases publishing as "Wallis and Son" or "John & Edward Wallis".
- 188 The Strand this address being used solely by John Wallis Jr.
- 12 High Street 1823 to 1837-- Edward Wallis

#### **Detailed Condition:**

Dissected and laid on linen. Minor toning and soiling.