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## Atlas moderne ou Collection de cartes sur toutes les parties du Globe Terrestre par plusieurs auteurs.

**Stock#:** 98787  
**Map Maker:** Lattré / Bonne  
**Date:** 1787  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 10.75 x 14.5 inches (binding)  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Nice example of the *Atlas Moderne*, published in Paris in 1787 by Jean Lattre.

Typically credited to French Royal Geographer Rigobert Bonne, this map finds its roots in 1762, in the *Atlas Moderne*, published by Jean Janvier. Over the next several decades, the map would be issued with updated maps bearing the imprints of Jean Janvier, Rigobert Bonne, Giovanni Antonio Rizzi-Zannoni and Jean Lattre, becoming one of the most successful commercial atlases published in France in the second half of the 18th Century, along with the *Atlas Universel* published by the Robert De Vaugondy family.

The 1787 edition includes an engraved decorative title page by Prevost after Monet, an engraved "Advertisement" leaf, and an engraved "Table des cartes contenues" followed by the 36 maps (all double page), including a "Sphère de Ptolomée" with wind roses (plate No. c.); a world map; 6 maps of the continents (of which 3 of the Americas); 21 maps related to European countries; 5 to Asia, Africa or the Gulf of Mexico; and 2 maps of the regions of the Holy Land. No. 25 skipped in the numbering of the maps per the *Table des Cartes*, and apparently no map no. 25 was ever issued.

The map of North America, with its depiction of the Sea of the West, is one of the best known and enduring of all maps to show this depiction. Present day Southwestern United States, including Texas, is labeled Nouveau Mexique.

### Detailed Condition:

Folio. Later 19th-century speckled calf, red leather label, raised bands. Head of spine chipped. Loss of lower three inches of spine backstrip. Joints cracked, but covers intact and holding by cords. Scuffing to



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leather, mainly on back cover. Marbled endpapers. [6] pages (i.e. engraved title page, "advertisement" leaf and "table des cartes" leaf), 36 engraved maps (fore-edge corners of many of the map sheets with early sympathetic repairs, printed areas not affected).