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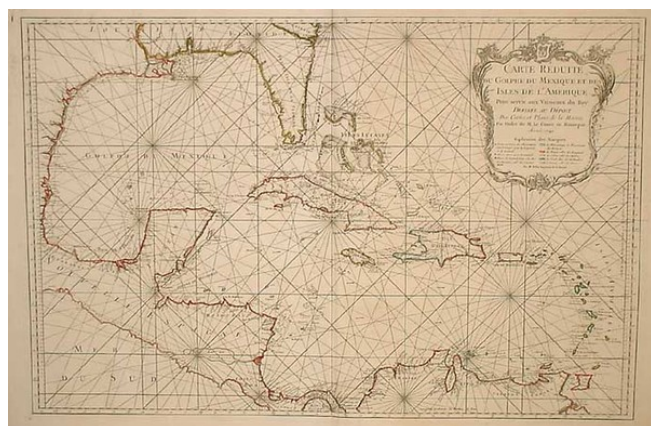
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Carte Reduite Du Golphe Du Mexique Et Des Isles De L'Amerique Pour servir au Vaisseaux du Roy . . . Annee 1740

Stock#: 1732
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1740
Place: Paris
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 33 x 21 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Important map of the Gulf Coast by Bellin, the Depot de la Marine's senior hydrographic engineer beginning in 1721. Bellin wrote a 5 volume treatise on Gulf Navigation in 1749, which is notable for its harsh treatment of Henry Popple's map of North America. This example of Bellin's map of the Gulf Coast is the first recorded edition, and is drawn from the work of Valentin Devin and other French mapmakers who plied the coastlines in the early 18th Century. Bellin abandons the Archipelagic rendition of the Florida Coastline popularized by Buache, Moll and others. His rendition of Florida is seemingly even more bizarre than its predecessors. Many names along the coast and excellent detail, including soundings, rhumb lines and detailed observations. The direction of the currents is also shown. An excellent wide margined example of this increasingly scarce map, offered here in the first state. Colored based upon territorial possessions.

Detailed Condition: