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### Teatre de la Guerre en Amerique telle qu'elle est a present Possedee par les Espagnols...

**Stock#:** 22429  
**Map Maker:** Mortier  
**Date:** 1705  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 23 x 20 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

Spectacular map of Florida, the Gulf Coast, Texas, Central America and part of Cuba.

The map is a curious amalgam of cartographic information along the Gulf Coast. The source of the Mississippi appears near Corpus Christie, a vestage of La Salle and Franquelin's work in the early 1680s and thereafter followed by Rossi, Coronell, Roillard, De Fer and Morden in the 1690s. However, the eastern Gulf and Florida configuration follows Mount & Page's Chart of the Bay of Mexico, eschewing the archipelago of Florida, which was later followed by Moll in 1715 and later Popple.

A remarkable feature of the map is the enormous, superbly detailed and designed vignette showing full-scale naval battle between the French and Dutch navies. Indian laborers are shown mining gold and silver in the mountains, while on the shore below Europeans pack gold bars and jewels into a treasure chest. The route followed by the Spanish gold and silver fleets is shown, and there is an inset in top right of St. Jean e Lucu offshore the coast of Vera Cruz. Florida is called Tegeste Province on the map. A separate eastern sheet (lacking here), covers the Caribbean.



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**Detailed Condition:**

Minor loss in upper margin, not affecting printed image. Some evidence of old creasing. Minor loss at old folds. Early color, a bit faded. Narrow lower right margin, but adequate for framing.