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Mappemonde ou Description Du Globe Terrestre . . . avec les Routes, et Decouvertes du Celebre Capitaine Cook . . . 1783

Stock#: 24362
Map Maker: de Vaugondy
Date: 1783
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 31 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Striking double hemisphere map of the World, exhibiting the discoveries of Captain James Cook on his 3 voyages of discovery to the Pacific, including his final demise in the Sandwich Islands (Hawaii).

This remarkable map, originally published by De Vaugondy in 1752 and here updated with significant revisions and updates, showing for the first time the tracks of Captain Cook, Furneaux and other navigators, primarily in the Pacific Ocean, but with additional details throughout the Indian Ocean and Atlantic Ocean.

De Vaugondy's original map was largely devoid of explorer's routes and included no information north of California and the Straits of Anian. In addition, much of the western half of Australia was completely unknown and shown in the conjectural style popularized in the first half of the 18th Century. In this revised edition, the Northwest Coast of America is now shown in great detail, albeit very inaccurately so, adopting the De L'Isle model of the region, replete with hopeful watercourse from the Pacific to the Atlantic and a western extension of the Coast of North America which extend more than 20 degrees west of its true location. Curiously, the Aleutian Islands appear, but are in a virtually unrecognizable form.

In Australia, the results of Cook's explorations along the west coast are in evidence, as is an updated New Zealand and early appearance of Hawaii. The Terres Antarctique are named, but no with only a hint of a speculative landmass.

Detailed Condition: