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Partie De La Coste De Bregatgne (Belle Isle -- Lorient to Le Croisec)

Stock#: 28467
Map Maker: Tassin
Date: 1634
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 13 x 9 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of this rare coastal chart of Belle Isle and the contiguous coast of Bretagne, from Christophe Tassin's *Carte générale de toutes les costes de France*, published in Paris in 1634.

The chart includes soundings, anchorages, illustrations of navigable channels, harbors, shoals, rocks, islands and other important sailing details. Embellished with a decorative compass rose, sailing ships, a sea monster, etc.

Tassin's atlas is first set of charts to focus exclusively on the coast of France, and the earliest sea atlas published in France. Tassin's work enjoyed a long run of importance. Originally published by order of Cardinal Richelieu in 1634, Tassin would later sell the plates for his atlas to Antoine de Fer, who re-issued the atlas with some modifications. Antoine's son Nicolas De Fer would later re-issue the work with an additional 10 plates and modification of the plates, in 1676, adding titles to the charts and adding a collection of fortifications. The charts were again re-issued by Pieter Mortier in 1695 and 1702.

The atlas is very rare on the market, with only a single example appearing in AMPR. For an illustration of the complete set of maps, please visit the website of the BNF:

<http://gallica.bnf.fr/ark:/12148/btv1b77100033>

Detailed Condition:

Minor damp staining, else a nice example.