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Carte Reduite de la Partie Septentrionale Du Golfe Du Mexique Depuis Laguana Madre jusqu a la Cote de la Floride D'apres les Nouvelles Cartes Espagnoles...1826

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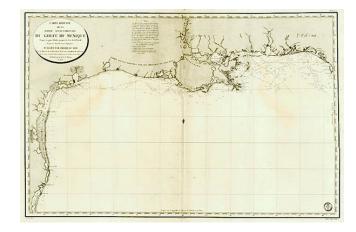
Map Maker: Depot de la Marine

Date: 1826
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG+

Size: 35×23 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce French edition of the Direccion de Hidrographia's *Carta Particular...de las Costas Setentrionales del Seno Mexicano...,* first published in Madrid in 1807.

In 1783, Bernardo de Galvez, the interim governor of Spanish Louisiana commisioned Jose Antonio de Evia to explore and map the northern coast of the Gulf of Mexico from West Florida to Tampico. Evia explored the coasts and bays of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and Mexico, completing his survey in September 1786. Along the way, de Evia surveyed San Bernardo Bay and named it for his patron Galvez, who had by then been named Viceroy of Mexico.

Don Juan Francisco de Langara y Harte, the Spanish Secretary of the Navy, employed Evia's work to publish a general chart of the region, Carta *Esferica que comprehende las costas del Seno Mexicano* in 1799, which became the most important advance in the cartography of the Gulf Coast for many years. In 1807, a larger scale chart, *the Carta Particular...*, covering the region between the Rio Grande and the Mississippi was issued. This map represented a large advance over the Jefferys map (Martin & Martin Pl. 21).

Re-issues of the *Carta Particular* . . . were done in France, Spain and Mexico for the next several decades. This 1826 French example retains most of the Spanish nomenclature. A nice example of this scarce large format map of the Texas Coast. An essential map for Texas collectors, which has become rare on the market.

Detailed Condition: