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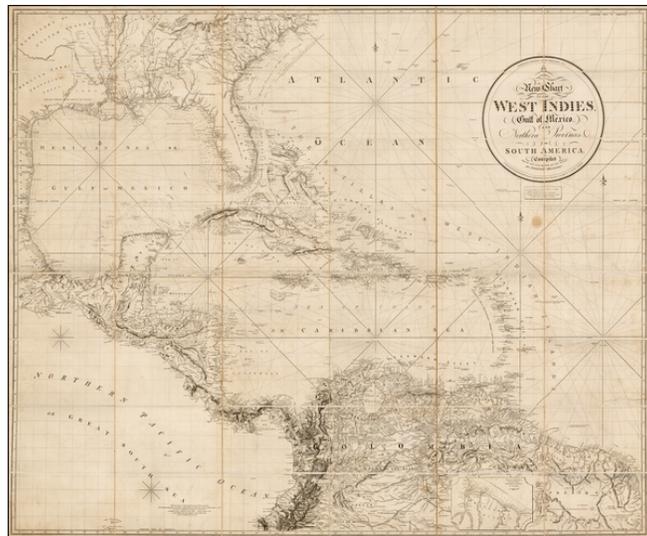
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**A New Chart of the West Indies, Gulf of Mexico, and Northern Provinces of South America; Compiled from the most recent Spanish and other Surveys. By Joseph Dessiou
. . . 1828**

Stock#: 30708
Map Maker: Laurie
Date: 1828
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 56 x 48 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Separately issued chart extending from Texas, Florida and the Gulf of Mexico in the north to South America, published by R. H. Laurie in London.

Laurie's chart of the Gulf Coast region is one of the best large format charts published at the beginning of the 19th Century and surpasses the work of Arrowsmith in detail and accuracy. Unlike most sea charts of the period, there is a fair amount of interior detail given, especially along the major inland waterways of North America and in Central and South America.

Texas is referred to as the Province of Texas, which is shown as a part of Mexican Territory and the Gulf is also referred to as "Mexican Sea," showing that the map has been updated since Mexican Independence in 1821. The map also provides the course of the Gulf Stream and is filled with soundings and other off shore details. The Gulf Stream details include information on the significance of the location of "Gulf Weed" within the Gulf Stream and on either side thereof.

The detail along Florida and the Gulf Coast is exceptional, with light houses and dozens of early placenames. Within the United States, the interior of the chart includes dozens of towns, forts, settlements and Indian Villages, along with the major post roads.

Earlier editions of this chart appeared in Laurie & Whittle's West India Atlas. Other editions noted include



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1813 and 1818. All editions are quite rare and we have not located another example of this edition of the map. We have not been able to locate another example of any edition of the map on the market in the past 30 years.

Detailed Condition:

Dissected and laid on linen, with green slipcase and hand written title. Repaired tear in lower right corner, above South American Coastline.