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Carte de la Nouvelle-Zelande pour Servir au Voyage Pittoresque autour du Monde . . . 1835

Stock#: 37033
Map Maker: Dumont-D'Urville

Date: 1835
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 13 x 8.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Detailed early map of New Zealand, including a separate Stewart Island.

Rear Admiral Jules Sébastien César Dumont d'Urville (1790-1842) was a French explorer and naval officer, who explored the south and western Pacific, Australia, New Zealand, and Antarctica. Dumont d'Urville led an expedition into the South Pacific aboard the *Astrolabe*, which sailed to the coast of southern Australia, extensively mapped the South Island of New Zealand, explored the archipelagos of Tonga and Fiji and the coasts of New Guinea. He located La Pérouse's shipwreck in Vanikoro and collected numerous remains of his boats, before returning to France in 1829.

After completing the voyage, he was promoted to captain, and put in charge of writing the report of his

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travels. The five volumes were published at the expense of the French government between 1832 and 1834. In his report, he criticized the military structures, his colleagues, the French Academy of Sciences and even the King - none of which, in his opinion, had given the voyage of the Astrolabe due acknowledgment.

Detailed Condition: