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**Carte La Plus Generale et qui comprend La Chine, La Tartarie Chinoise, et le Thibet,  
Dressee sur les Cartes Particulieres des RR PP Jesuites . . . MDCCXXIV**

**Stock#:** 37840  
**Map Maker:** d'Anville  
**Date:** 1737  
**Place:** The Hague  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 27.5 x 18.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Fine example of D'Anville's map of China, perhaps the single most influential map of China published in the 18th Century.

D'Anville's atlas of China is the principal cartographic authority on China during the 18th century. D'Anville used maps prepared by Jesuit missionaries and commissioned by Emperor Kangxi, who in 1708-1716 ordered a surveying of the country. A copy of these surveys were sent back to Paris and the Royal cartographer D'Anville was commissioned to draw this map, which was the first really reasonably accurate picture of that remote land.

D'Anville's decorative allegorical cartouche shows emperor Kang Hsi presiding over the surveying work undertaken on his orders. Two Jesuit priests, with an armed mounted escort, are investigating a farmer settlement, his lodging and cattle. The scale cartouche is adorned by two wolf hunters.

The map extends west to Thibet and Kashgar. All these areas are now part of modern China, respectively as; Tibet, Xinjiang (whose second largest city is Khashgar), Inner Mongolia, and Manchuria (Heilongjiang, Jilin and Liaoning provinces).

The map is also of significant note as one of the first accurate maps of Korea.



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**Detailed Condition:**