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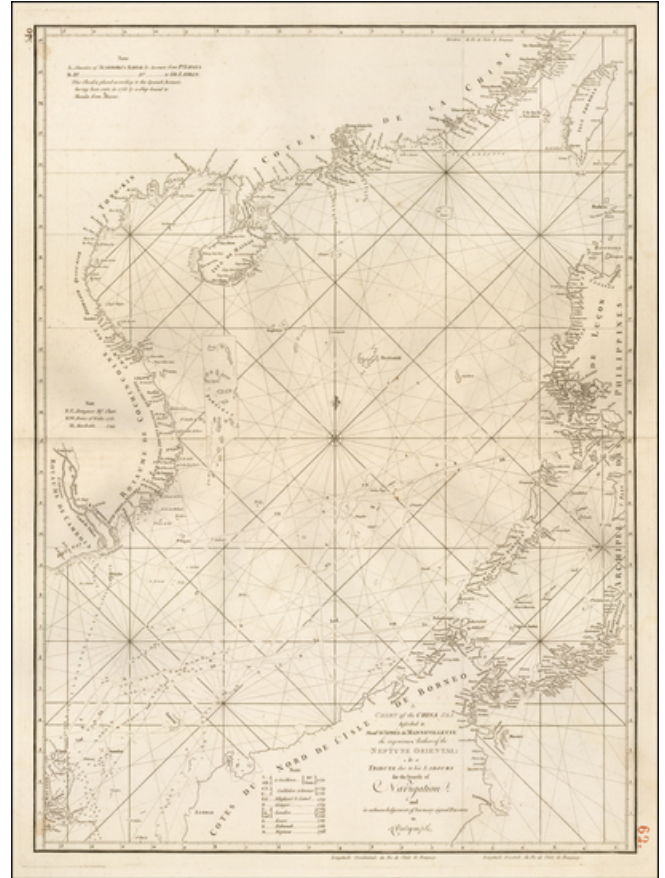
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**A Chart of the China Sea Inscribed to Monsr. d'Après de Manneville the Ingenious  
Author of the Neptune Oriental: As a Tribute Due to his Labours for the Benefit of  
Navigation; and in acknowledgement of his many signal Favours to A. Dalrymple**

**Stock#:** 39979  
**Map Maker:** d'Après de Manneville /  
Dalrymple  
**Date:** 1770 (1775)  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 25 x 19 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Important early sea chart of the China Sea, published by Jean Baptiste Nicholas D. D'Aprè de Manneville. in Paris, for his Neptune Orientale.

The map extends from Fuzhou and Taiwan in the north, to the Philippines, Borneo and Bintam, in the south, and shows the whole of the coast of Southern China and Vietnam, including Macao and an unnamed Hong Kong.

The map includes a lettered key next to the title, which lists the vessels that had explored the region between 1752 and 1763. Of particular note on the map is the depiction of Hong Kong as "Fan-chin-cheo".



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The map was first published by Dalrymple, in London 1771, and COPAC lists the British Library as having an example. This particular example is a slightly later edition (c.1775), published by D'Apres de Manneville in Paris, which appeared in later editions of *Le Neptune Oriental*.

Jean .B.N.D. D' Apres de Manneville (1707-1780), was a famous French sailor and hydrographer. During a voyage to China in 1728, he succeeded in correcting the latitudes of many places using new instruments. Back in France he devised a plan to correct and publish all the existing maps of the route to China: the Red Sea, the coasts of India, Malaya, the northern parts of Indonesia, Indochina and China. When the first edition of his *Atlas Le Neptune Oriental* (containing only 22 charts), was published in 1745, it was regarded as a major achievement and a library indispensable to navigators. In 1762, Manneville was appointed director of an office established by the Compagnie des Indes, for the publication of charts.

**Detailed Condition:**