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Chart of the Entrance of Hudson's River, from Sandy Hook to New York, with the Banks, Depths of Water, sailing marks, &ca. . . . 1776

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Map Maker: Sayer & Bennett

Date: 1776 Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 20.5 x 27.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

First state of this rare sailing chart of the area around New York Harbor and Long Island, which was issued separately and in the first edition of Sayer & Bennett's *North American Pilot*.

This finely detailed chart is centered on Staten Island, York's Bay and Constable Point, extending north to Hells Gate, New York Island, Newtown Inlet, Bushwick Inlet, Wallabout Bay, Crown Point, the Battery and Ship Yards and south to the Shrewsbury River. The map extends East to include Amboy and the Raritan River, noting (Samuel?) Holland's House and east to Jamaica Bay and Plumb Island.

Details include soundings from Manhattan southward, shoals, navigable channels and rhumb lines. The light house at Sandy Hook is located, as are the lighthouses at New Utrecht and Gravesend,

The North American Pilot is among the rarest 18th Century sea atlases. Many of the maps are taken from

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surveys performed by British officers and surveyors whose work was left incomplete as a result of the American Revolution, who in turn sold the information or shared it with the commercial map and chart makers of the period, after the British were defeated and run out of the Colonies.

This is the first example of the Sayer & Bennett edition of the map we have offered in the past 20 years. The map was also re-issued in the 1790s by Laurie & Whittle.

Detailed Condition:

One minor spot.

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