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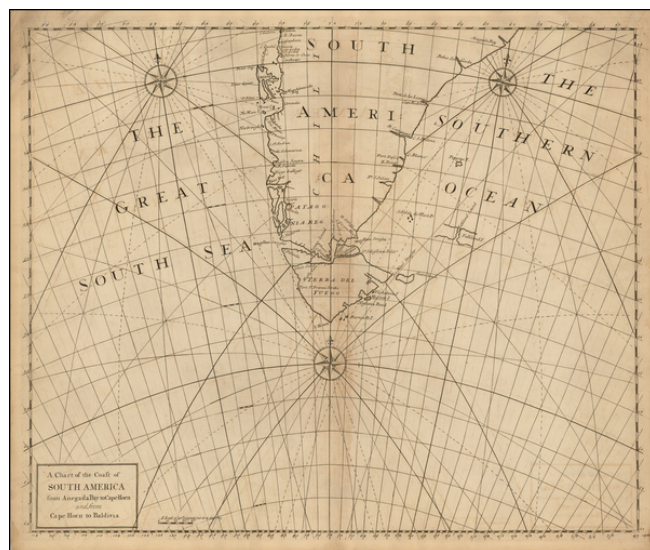
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## A Chart of the Coast of South America from Anegada Bay to Cape Horn and from Cape Horn to Valdivia

**Stock#:** 47123  
**Map Maker:** Senex / Halley / Cutler  
**Date:** 1728  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 23 x 20 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Scarce sea chart of the southern reaches of South America, bounded by Valdivia, Chile, in the north on the Pacific coast, and by Bahia Blanca, Argentina on the Atlantic coast. The includes a strange depiction of the Falklands, consisting of a large straight between two islands with undefined outer coastlines. Tierra del Fuego and Cape Horn occupy the near-center of the map, yet the bottom half makes no allusion to a potential southern continent.

This very rare work was a collaborative effort of a number of the leading cartographic and scientific names of the period, including Sir Edmund Halley, John Senex, Nathaniel Cutler, Steven Parker and Daniel Defoe, whose names are frequently associated with this work.

The sea atlas was developed by Senex and Harris to compete with Mount & Page's wildly popular English Pilot sea series. It was published under the name *Atlas Maritimus et commercialis, or A general view of the world...* (London: James and John Knapton et al., 1728).

In 2015, a complete example of the atlas sold for £27,500 at Christie's in London.

While the collaboration was impressive, the atlas never achieved the same commercial success. As such, the maps are quite scarce on the market. The full name of the book was the

*Atlas maritimus & commercialis, or, A general view of the world, so far as relates to trade and*



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*navigation : describing all the coasts, ports, harbours, and noted rivers ... : to which are added sailing directions for all the known coasts and islands on the globe, with a set of sea charts, some laid down after Mercator, but the greater part according to a new globular projection adapted for measuring distances...by scale and compass...the use of the projection justified by Dr. Halley. To which are subjoin'd two large hemispheres on the plane of the equinoctial containing all the stars in the Britannic catalogue: of great use to sailors for finding the latitude in the night / [by] Cutler, Nathaniel , et al.*

**Detailed Condition:**