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### [Mapsheet with 10 inset plans of Mediterranean ports.] (Includes Famagusta!)

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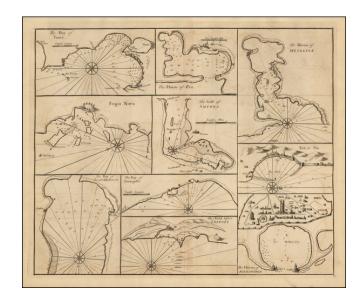
Map Maker: Senex / Halley / Cutler

Date: 1728
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

**Condition:** VG+

**Size:**  $23 \times 20$  inches

**Price:** SOLD



### **Description:**

Scarce sea chart with detailed plans of ports on the Mediterranean.

Includes the following insets:

- The Bay of Tunis
- The Haven of Zea
- The Haven of Meteline
- Fogia Nova
- The Gulf of Smyrna
- Xio or Sio
- The Bay of Scanderoon
- The Bay of Famagusta
- The Road before Tripoli
- The Haven of Alexandria

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* 



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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 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:**