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The Dutch Colony of the Cape of Good Hope by L.S. De La Rochette MDCC XCV

Stock#: 49714
Map Maker: Faden
Date: 1795
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Faden's Detailed Map of the Cape Town Region.

Second edition of this highly detailed map of the Dutch Colony on the Cape of Good Hope, first published in 1782.

This attractive map gives an idea of contemporary knowledge of the area from "Klipping Eyland" to "Cape Falso". Of note is the addition in this edition of "Muyzenberg about 1300 feet high." About 20 farms and settlements are named as well as Constantia and Stellen bosch. The Drakenstein mountains form the eastern boundary of the Cape.

The cartouche is a cliff bearing the title with palms, huts and an elephant in the foreground. A key



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identifies points on the mainland and another the islands and bays.

William Faden

William Faden (1749-1836) was a prominent London mapmaker and publisher. He worked in close partnership with the prolific Thomas Jeffreys from 1773 to 1776. In 1783, Faden assumed ownership of the Jeffreys firm and was named Geographer to the King in the same year. Faden specialized in depictions of North America and also commanded a large stock of British county maps, which made him attractive as a partner to the Ordnance Survey; he published the first Ordnance map in 1801. The Admiralty also admired his work and acquired some of his plates which were re-issued as official naval charts. After retiring in 1823 the lucrative business passed to James Wyld, a former apprentice.

Detailed Condition:

A very attractive unsophisticated example.