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A Map of South America Containing Tierra-Firma, Guayana, New Granada, Amazonia, Brasil, Peru, Paraguay, Chaco, Tucuman, Chil and Patagonia from Mr. D'Anville with Several Improvements and Additions, and The Newest Discoveries. . . .1779

Stock#: 56284
Map Maker: Sayer
Date: 1779
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: Good
Size: 46 x 39 inches (if joined)
Price: \$ 375.00



Description:

Early edition of Robert Sayer's 4 sheet map of South America, based upon and earlier French map by D'Anville.

Includes a large inset map of the Falklands. South America is shown during the Bourbon Enlightenment period, when Spain was finally beginning to share more information regarding the interior details of their valuable colonies in North America, several decades prior to the first of the South American Revolutions which would reshape the continent in the first part of the 19th Century.

The map attempts to show the details of the Amazon and its major tributaries, although several of the major southern tributary rivers, most notably the Rio Paranatinga ("which falls in the Amazon as the Rio Zingu"), Rio Purus and the Rio Yutay are largely conjecture.

The Uruguayan-Brazilian Tape area is virtually unknown, with a lengthy note:

Most of this Inland is unknown The Natives bear the general Name of Tapayos they are composed of many Nations, differ in Manners and Language, tho Guarauni Tongue extends itself among these People, as well as the other Natives of Brasil.



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To the South the Pampas and Patagonian regions are similarly devoid of meaningful detail in the interior and still nearly completely unknown and unsettled.

Detailed Condition:

Four sheets, joined as two sheets (top and bottom). Some soiling. Loss to lower sheet above cartouche, as illustrated.