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**A new and most correct Chart of the Entrance and Harbour of Rio de Janeiro, From a Survey made By order of the Portuguese Government.**

**Stock#:** 56848ml  
**Map Maker:** Faden  
**Date:** 1823 circa  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 21 x 32 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Fine detailed chart of the area around Rio De Janeiro, published by William Faden and engraved by J & C Walker for the British Admiralty.

The chart was first issued in 1821, in the year King Joao VI returned to Portugal and one year before Brazilian independence.

The chart is based upon surveys conducted under the auspices of the Portuguese Navy around the turn of the century. During the first half of the 19th Century, both British and American mariners were making



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frequent visits to Brazil's ports and sailing along its coastlines. Britain was a longtime ally of Portugal and maintained extensive trade links with ports such as Rio de Janeiro and Bahia. Vessels of the Royal Navy also frequently reprovisioned in Brazil before and after rounding Cape Horn. This chart would have been very useful during its time, as it would have been the first accurate general chart of Rio de Janeiro Harbor.

A great specimen of the early scientific maritime cartography of Brazil and a rare monument to contemporary large-scale chart publishing in America.

Includes sailing directions and a pencil annotations showing an approach via I. Rza or Flat Island and then on to the center of the Harbor.

This is apparently an early state of the chart, with a first state dated August 12, 1821.

**Rarity**

The Chart is very rare. We located an example of the first state in the British Library and note one example of the chart in a dealer catalog in 1989.

**Detailed Condition:**

Linen-backed, edged in pink silk with ties at upper edge, a few pencil annotations, slight surface dirt, William Faden and the Hydrographical Office at the Admiralty, 1823