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Map Maker: Weigel
Date: 1718
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 16 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Early Appearance of the name Catara in the 18th Century

Striking map of the Arabian Peninsula featuring the geographical features known to the ancients and decorated with a vignette and 9 medallions.

The map provides a fine account of the historic place names in the region, including Catara, the earliest name used to identify the modern state of Qatar.

An interesting and highly decorative map.

Katara

The name Katara or Catara is the earliest recorded name for the area around the modern state of Qatar.

The name "Catara" began appearing as a name for the Qatar Peninsula in geographic and historical maps in about 150 A.D. by the Alexandrian geographer Claudius Ptolemaeus in 150 AD. The name also appeared in the *Atlas of the History of Islam*. The town appeared northwest of Gerra or near it, and to the west of the town of Cadara.

The use of the name Catara or Katara was largely abandoned until the 18th Century, when it began to reappear on printed maps.



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