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## Central America

**Stock#:** 57975
**Map Maker:** Tallis

**Date:** 1851
**Place:** London
**Color:** Hand Colored
**Condition:** VG+
**Size:** 12.5 x 10 inches

**Price:** SOLD




**Description:**

Striking full color example of this wonderful decorative map of Central America, including Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua and "Mosquito Territory."

In the body of the map is outline color by country. The map features vignettes of Volcano of Isalco, Great Square of Antigua in Guatemala and Belise, all in remarkable color. Engraved for R. Montgomery Martin's *Illustrated Atlas and Modern History of the World*, one of the last great decorative atlases of the 19th Century. As noted at the bottom, "The Illustrations by A. Fussell & Engraved by J.B. Allen." and "The Map Drawn & Engraved by J. Rapkin."

John Tallis was one the most popular cartographers of the 19th Century and one of the last great decorative map makers. Tallis was renowned for the very accurate and visually attractive maps and views of all world areas during the Victorian Age. His maps are prized for the wonderful vignettes of indigenous scenes, people, etc. His star engraver and map maker was John Rapkin. During the mid 19th Century many books of travel and exploration were published by Tallis, using the extraordinary artistic and engraving skills of Rapkin. In 1851 Tallis published his famous *Illustrated Atlas*.

**Detailed Condition:**