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Stock#: 58305
Map Maker: Whittle & Laurie
Date: 1809
Place: London
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 28.5 x 40.5 inches
Price: \$6,500.00



Description:

A Rare British Sea Chart of the Southeast and Mid-Atlantic Regions (The Colonial Williamsburg / William Wooldridge Copy)

Extremely rare separately issued chart of the coast from New York to North Carolina, which was issued separately and in Laurie & Whittle's rare *North American Pilot*, published in London in 1795 and later.

Centered on the the Chesapeake, the map extends north to Long Island and south to the area around Cape



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Hatteras and the Neuse River in North Carolina.

Includes a profile view of the Highland of Neversink and a second profile view of Cape Henry.

Despite the large scale of the map, there is considerable nautical detail of Hampton Roads and Chesapeake Ba

Laurie & Whittle reference Captain N. Holland as the maker of the map. In fact, there was no N. Holland, and this is likely a pseudonym for Samuel Holland. Holland and Gerard William DeBrahm were the two primary colonial surveyors for the British Colonies prior to the American Revolution. It is known that a number of the early colonial surveyors sold information to private publishers after the Revolution, using the information they gathered to make up for some of the lost compensation associated with their displacement.

While Holland may well have been the source, his assignment was the Northern British Colonies, making it more likely that the source of information for the map would have been DeBrahm, Bernard Romans, and the contemporary charts of Des Barres, Normal and Clark.

A finely engraved and highly detailed map.

Rarity

Earlier states of this map are in the collection of the New York Public Library, the Norman B. Leventhal Map Center at the Boston Public Library, and the Biblioteca Nacional de España. Provenance:

This copy of the map is published in William C. Wooldridge, *Mapping Virginia*, figure 200 and 200a, pp. 220-223.

Detailed Condition:

Previously dissected, the map is not joined on single sheet of linen, with a slightly wide horizontal gap for easy of folding.