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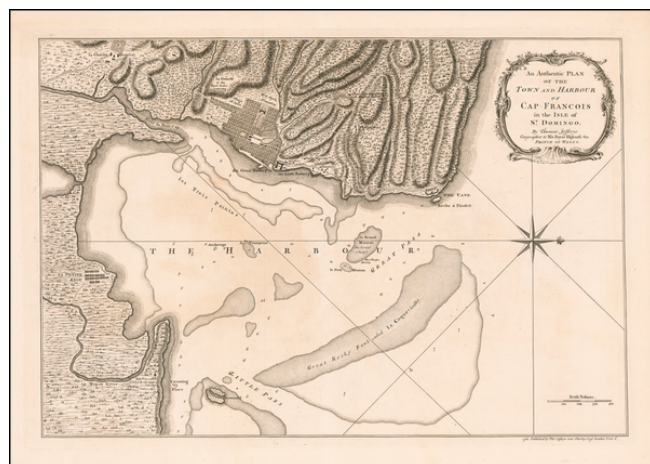
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### [Cap-Haïtien, Haiti] An Authentic Plan of the Town and Harbour of Cap-Francois in the Isle of St. Domingo .

**Stock#:** 59167  
**Map Maker:** Jefferys  
**Date:** 1760  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 19 x 13 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

A fine 18th-century map of Cap-Haïtien, the historical capital of Haiti.

Cap-Haïtien, then called Cap-Français (or Cap-Francois), was the capital of the French colony of Saint-Domingue (Haiti), from the time of its founding in 1711 until 1770. During this period, Saint-Domingue was one of the most economically productive places in the world, owing to its flourishing sugar industry.

As evident on the map, the city was laid out on a neat geometrical grid, following Enlightenment precepts. The town was, and is still dominated by the Cathedral of Notre-Dame de Cap-Haïtien, the largest church in Haiti.

The present map was issued by Thomas Jefferys in London to capitalize of the great interest in French and Spanish ports owing to the ongoing Seven Years' War (1756-1763). Due to its key role in the French colonial system, Cap-Haïtien was a prime proposed target for an attack by Britain's Royal Navy, although it was passed over in favor of more easily-conquerable French possessions, such as Martinique and Guadeloupe.

#### Detailed Condition:

Minor soiling