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Nova Orbis Tabula In Lucem Edita, A.F.de Wit.

Stock#: 64420
Map Maker: De Wit
Date: 1670 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 22 x 18.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Old color example of Frederick De Wit's striking double hemisphere map of the World, with significantly new cartographic detail in Southeast Asia and to the north of New Zealand.

The map shows the Briggs model of California as an island and the Straits of Anian.

The brilliant scenes in the corners combine images of the four seasons, the elements and the signs of the zodiac in a well-balanced and natural way. According to Shirley, De Wit's map is one of the most attractive of its time.

This is the second state of the map, with decorative borders around the map and illustrations between the cusps. In about 1680, the map was revised in the western hemisphere, with the following changes:

- Briggs model California as an island (flat top) changed to Sanson model (two fingers at the top)
- NW Coastline removed in state 3
- Nova Guinea appears in the western hemisphere in state 3
- Quiri Regio appears in the western hemisphere in state 3
- One large Great Lake has been replaced with a group of open ended Great Lakes.
- Anian and the Straits of Anian have been removed
- Far more detail in the interior of North & South America



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Detailed Condition:

Old hand-color. Fair to Good condition. Some closed tears and minor losses reinstated in the blank margin.