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Hemisphere Occidental Dresse en 1720 pour l'usage particulier du Roy sur les Observations Astronomiques et Geographiques . . .

Stock#: 64572
Map Maker: Covens & Mortier
Date: 1750 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 19 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Late Edition -- Sea of the West & Russian Discoveries

Rare late Covens & Mortier edition of De L'Isle's map of the Western Hemisphere, illustrating the Sea of the West and the Russian Discoveries in Alaska and the northernmost part of the Pacific Ocean.

Western Hemisphere

Includes a rare early appearance of the Sea of the West, as well as a curious depiction of the River of the West.

In the Arctic Regions, the discoveries of Christopher Middleton in 1741 and Luke Fox in 1631 are shown, along with Middleton's discoveries in Wager Bay in 1741 and 1747.

Includes the Russian Discoveries in 1741 which would become the southern Alaskan Coastline and the forerunner to the Aleutian Islands further to the west.

The Great Lakes and Mississippi River Valley have been significantly updated.

The voyages of Vaisseau in 1710, Mendana, Gaetan, Magellan, Le Maire, Halley and Tasman through the



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Pacific are all depicted, as is the West Coast of New Zealand.

No sign of the Antarctic, other than a note of a discovery by Drake just above the polar circle. The Pacific is dotted with mythical islands. Some detail along the east coast of Australia

Eastern Hemisphere

Terres Australes ou Antarctiques is named, but without any sign of land.

Tasman's route past Van Diemens Land is shown, with a classic incomplete Australia and only a tiny strait between New Guinea and Australia, referencing Dampier.

Edmund Halley route in the South Atlantic is noted, as is Route du St. Louis.

The return routes of Tasman and Le Maire are shown east of New Guinea, as is Gaetan's route to Mindanao through the Pescadore Islands and Isles de Palaos.

The Sea of Korea (Mer de Coree is shown).

Detailed Condition: