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## Nieuwe en Naeukeurige Afteekening vant Canaal van Bahama vertoonende t'geheele Eyland Cuba de Noordkust van Espaniola als meede de Zuyd kust van Florida....

**Stock#:** 6623  
**Map Maker:** Van Keulen  
**Date:** 1728  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 39 x 24 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

A beautifully engraved large scale sea chart of the Florida peninsula, Bahamas and Cuba, with inset plans of Havana, Hondo and Mantanacas Bays and a dedication to Christopher Columbus. Florida is shown in tremendous detail from just north of Jacksonville (St. Matheo) and also shows some of Florida's West Coast to Appalachiola. Includes dozens of placenames, islands and sounding and an excellent treatment of the Keys. The treatment of Cuba is also magnificent, with over 100 place names, islands and soundings. The map extends south to include the Caymans and Hispaniola. The treatmenet of the Bahamas is also remarkably detailed for the period. Gerard Van Keulen was the son of Johannes Van Keulen, patriarch of perhaps the most prolific of all Dutch map making families. The family firm commenced in 1680, but it was Gerard who brought it to its full glory. A talented engraver and mathematician, and later Hydrographer to the East India Company, Gerard became the mainspring of the business, issuing many important charts and books on all aspects of Geography, navigation, etc. Until the opening of the Dutch Hydrographic Office in the 19th Century, the Van Keulen firm issued what were regarded as the official Dutch sea charts. This map incorporates the most recent regional information and is highly prized among collectors for rarity, beauty and cartographic importance. An cornerstone map for Florida, Cuba and Bahamas collectors.

### Detailed Condition: