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### **A General Chart of the Island of Newfoundland with the Rocks & Soundings. Drawn from Surveys taken by Order of the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty. By James Cook and Michael Lane Surveyors . . . 1775**

**Stock#:** 66284  
**Map Maker:** Jefferys  
**Date:** 1775  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 22 x 21.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### **Description:**

Fine early chart of Newfoundland, based upon the survey work of James Cook, among others.

Attractive large-format map of the entire coast of Newfoundland, a striking testament to Cook's incredible skill as a cartographer. It was the Newfoundland survey which established James Cook's reputation as the pre-eminent naval hydrographer and ultimately led to his being appointed to the command of the *Endeavour*.

After serving his apprenticeship aboard *Whitby Colliers*, Cook entered the Royal Navy in 1758, resulting in his charting the St. Lawrence River at Quebec. The need for a Newfoundland survey arose at the conclusion of the Seven Year's War, where the English asserted their fishing rights in the region. French fishermen were allowed limited concessions for catching and curing cod from these rich waters, but to enforce the terms of the Paris Treaty of 1763 new and accurate charts were needed. Cook was selected as master of the *Greville* in 1764, and the Newfoundland surveys occupied the next three years. His work in the region established for him a well-deserved reputation with the higher authorities.

#### **Detailed Condition:**



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