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### Monocerus, Canis Minor, Canis Major

**Stock#:** 67403  
**Map Maker:** Jamieson  
**Date:** 1822  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 9 x 7 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

A striking star chart centered on Monoceros [The Unicorn], marvelously engraved and delicately colored. Shows the featured constellation as well as Canis Major and Minor in color with neighboring stars and constellations without color. Jamieson's work is one of the finest of its kind in the early 19th century. Alexander Jamieson published *A Celestial Atlas Comprising A System Display of the Heaven*. This work was published in London by G & W.B Wittaker, T. Caddell and N. Hailes in 1822.

Monoceros is a faint constellation discovered in the 18th century, while Canis Major is a more famous constellation most notable for its inclusion of Sirius.

The chart includes a colored Monoceros, Canis Major, and Canis Minor and uncolored parts of the constellations of Orion, Lepus, Columba Nochi, Pixis Nautica, Hydra, and Argo. One of the images in this series to not show a sign of the Zodiac, though it follows the equatorial line. This forms part of a marvelously colored set of Jamieson works on the Zodiac signs.

This edition of Jamieson's work was later used for *Urania's Mirror*, a collection of star cards with punched holes so one could line them up with the constellations.

#### Detailed Condition:

Name of Monoceros has been colored over.