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## Amerique Septentrionale

**Stock#:** 68514  
**Map Maker:** Bonne  
**Date:** 1787  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 12.5 x 8.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Excellent map of North America, published in Paris by Rigobert Bonne.

Bonne's map illustrates an important evolution in mapmaking, the conscious decision by French mapmakers beginning in the 18th Century to leave maps blank where there was no certainty in the geographical knowledge of the region. Bonne's map, following immediately after the discoveries of Captain James Cook on the Northwest Coast of America disproved the French theories of Buache, De L'Isle and Vaugondy regarding the interior of the northwestern part of North America, provides a fresh blank canvas.

The map includes much more detail east of the Mississippi and along its tributaries.

The map shows an interesting dog leg Baja configuration and some hint of the changes to come along the Northwest coast, although still largely conjectural.

### Detailed Condition: