



# Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.

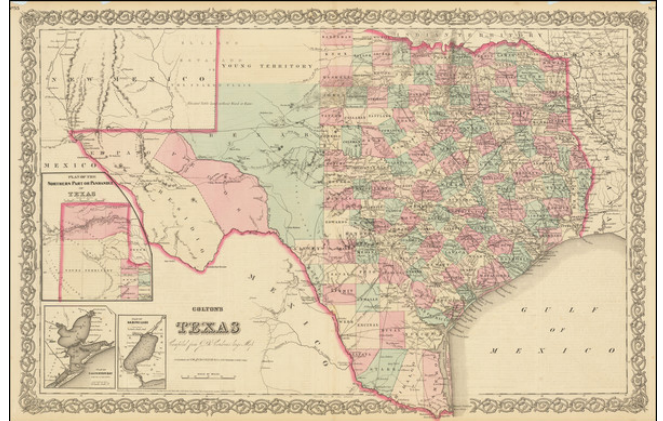
7407 La Jolla Boulevard  
La Jolla, CA 92037

[www.raremaps.com](http://www.raremaps.com)

(858) 551-8500  
[blr@raremaps.com](mailto:blr@raremaps.com)

## Colton's Texas

**Stock#:** 71262  
**Map Maker:** Colton  
**Date:** 1872  
**Place:** New York  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 26 x 17.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Large format detailed map of Texas, with large insets of the northern panhandle, Galveston and Matagorda Bays and Sabine Lake. The map reflects the relative expansion of the counties of Texas, now plentiful in the east but virtually non-existent in the west. The map shows towns, rivers, mountains, roads, railroads, stations, forts and Indian information.

This was a very interesting time period, as Texas promotion was again in full boom following the Civil War. It was at this time that a band of settlers along the Rio Grande were causing the Mexican Government fits and threatening incursions into Mexico, so much so that Mexican Commission produced an important and very scarce report with maps in their appeal to the US to curb the activities of the Texans.

This example has narrow margins, as issued, which is more or less the norm for Colton's Texas maps during this time period. By 1873, Colton's firm had been surpassed in commercial success by Johnson, SA Mitchell Jr. and O.W. Gray. Colton maps from the 1870s are actually rarer than from the 1850s and 1860s.

### Dating the Map

We date the map at 1873, as it pre-dates the creation of Waller County (established in 1873) and pre-dates Aransas County (formed in 1871).

### Detailed Condition: