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Cruises For Health and Pleasure, Mediterranean and Orient Cruises Northern Cruises, Cruises Around the World, Cruise to the West Indies

Stock#: 74361
Map Maker: Hamburg American Line
Date: 1931 circa
Place: Frankfurt
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 42 x 27 inches
Price: \$ 950.00



Description:

Scarce Hamburg-Amerikanische Packetfahrt-Aktien-Gesellschaft (HAPAG) wall map of the world designed and published for important Hamburg-American Line shipping corporation. The map includes incredible detail on a worldwide scale and shows the various lines operated by the company, including mail routes, pleasure cruises, and zeppelin airship services. A banner at the base of the map advertises health cruises. The map is incredibly detailed and large-scale, adding to the attractiveness of the item.

While the HAPAG corporation peaked prior to the First World War, the company retained its importance in the interwar years. The most famous lines operated by the company were the numerous zeppelin lines. The most notable of these routes was the *LZ 127 Graf Zeppelin* route which flew from Cadiz to Pernambuco (and later onwards to Rio de Janeiro; as shown on the map). This route served to connect German plantation owners in Brazil with the European continent. This route, along with many other Zeppelin routes, would be abandoned in 1937 following the disaster of the *Hindenberg*.

The map was published by Ravenstein's Geographische Verlagsanstalt, considered to be the second oldest publishing house in Germany.

Dating

The presence of the *Graph Zeppelin* Route connecting Germany and Brazil, alongside with a proposed onwards route to Buenos Aires, dates the map to either 1931 or 1932.

Detailed Condition:



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Additional titles trimmed from top and bottom. Archivaly mounted on modern poster linen. Minor tear and damage in the upper left of map. Few areas of minor infill within the image.