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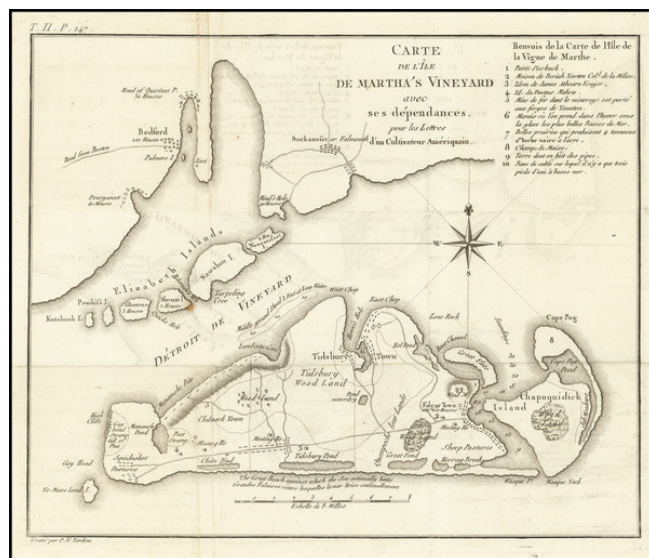
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Carte De L'Ile De Martha's Vineyard avec ses dependances pour les Lettres d'un Cultivateur Ameriquain

Stock#: 76714
Map Maker: St. Jean De Crevecoeur
Date: 1785
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 10.5 x 8.5 inches
Price: \$ 1,800.00



Description:

Fine example of the earliest obtainable map of Martha's Vineyard.

While the title is in French, most of the details of the map are in English, except for the map key.

The map focuses on Martha's Vineyard, the Elizabeth Islands, Chapoquidick Island, Vineyard Strait. and part of the coast of Cape Cod. The Vineyard is depicted in considerable detail, including topographical features, roads the island's towns and villages, and meeting houses. There are numerous interesting notations, as well as a legend identifying 10 numbered locations.

The map was issued in the Paris edition of *St. John de Crevecoeur's Letters from an American Farmer*, . This work is a fascinating outsider's view of the people, culture and natural attractions of the new United States, as seen through the eyes of a French émigré. Howes calls it a "description of American life of great influence in attracting European immigration in the post-revolutionary period. As literature unexcelled by any American work of the eighteenth century."

Detailed Condition: