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Carte des Isles de Hetland ou Schetland

Stock#: 79104
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1771 circa
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 6.75 x 8.75 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine map of the Shetland Islands off the northernmost coast of Scotland, showing Mainland, Yell, and other North Isles. This map was published by Nicolas Bellin, the foremost French maritime cartographer of the 18th century.

Attractively designed, the map focuses on coastal detail, typical of Bellin's style. Many capes and bays are named, with a couple of inland settlements indicated as well.

Shetland, at the time of the maps publication, was in the midst of an 18th-century downturn following the Act of Union, which imposed high salt duties on German merchants who exported fish from the islands.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color.