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## (Second World War - El Alamein) Alamein 1:100 000

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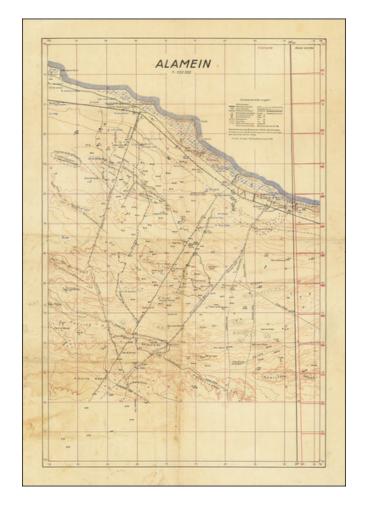
Map Maker: Anonymous

**Date:** 1942 2 August

Place: n.p.
Color: Color
Condition: VG

**Size:** 19 x 28 inches

**Price:** \$ 650.00



# **Description:**

### El Alamein in the Immediate Aftermath of the First Battle of El Alemain

Rare map of the region of El-Alamein, prepared by German forces and published less than a week after the First Battle of El Alamain and showing the intelligence gained by German troops during the battle.

This map is prepared, in part, from looted English maps, as suggested in the text to the upper left of the map. However, the map also shows the results of the battle remarkably soon after the battle occurred and shows the lines of retreat of major commanders from El Alamein, including Rommel, Bier, and Wisky. Defense overlays are shown.

El Alamein was one of the critical turning points for the Second World War and represented the first major



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Allied victory in the war in a year. Fought in two stints, one in late July 1942 and one at the end of fall, that same year, British troops engaged German units just outside of El Alamein. The first battle was a defensive success for the British, who managed to stop the eastwards advance of the Axis. The second battle saw fierce fighting for a prolonged period, but eventually, Allied troops broke through the Axis lines and captured nearly 40,000 German troops.

#### **Provenance**

This map and several other German and British maps of the area were purchased in a group from an Australian owner. We are under the impression that the map was captured by a British or Australian soldier during one of the Battles of El Alamein.

#### **Detailed Condition:**

Some wear along fold lines and some soiling.