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Western Africa

Stock#: 80395
Map Maker: Tallis
Date: 1851
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 13 x 9.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fantastic embellished map of Western Africa by one of the last truly great decorative mapmakers, John Tallis. The map shows the western part of Africa from the outflow of the Senegal River at St. Louis to the Ivory Coast and the Bight of Bonny.

The map shows towns, roads, rivers, lakes, mountains, and more, although inland detail away from trade routes is sparse. The map's vignettes show important forts in the region including Christiansborg, Cape Coast Castle, and Bakel, as well as the Sierra Leone coastline.

This map was engraved for R. Montgomery Martin's *Illustrated Atlas*. Tallis was one of the last great decorative map makers and his maps are prized for the wonderful vignettes of indigenous scenes, people, and artefacts that they show.

Detailed Condition: