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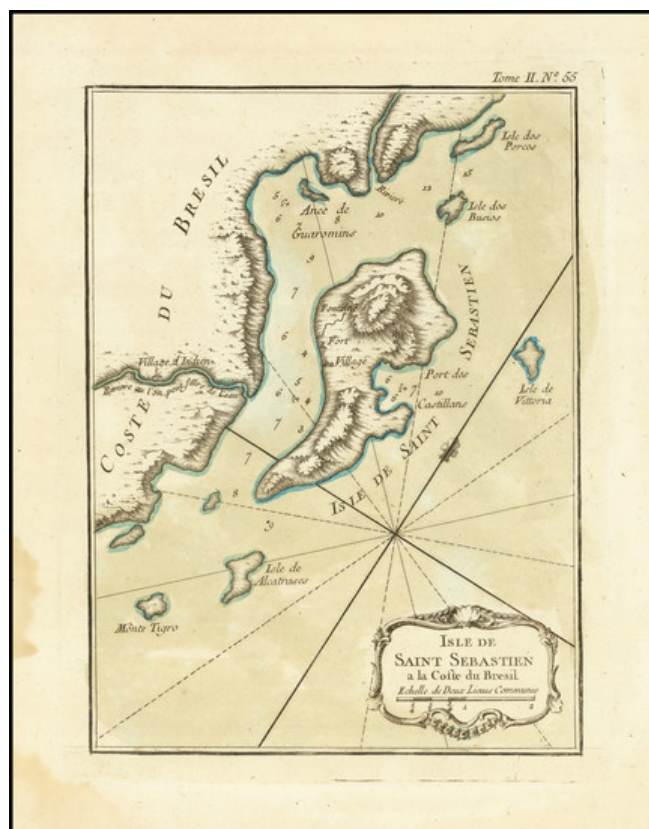
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(Ilhabela, Sao Paolo) Isle de Saint Sebastien a la Coste du Bresil

Stock#: 81097
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1764
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 6.5 x 9 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine original antique map of the island of Ilhamba, near Sao Paolo, published by Nicolas Bellin in 1764. This map originally appeared in Bellin's *Petit Atlas Maritime*, one of the most useful navigational handbooks published in the 17th century.

The map shows the island now referred to as Ilhabela (beautiful island) as being named Saint Sebastian. While the island has now changed its name, the mainland village across the bay is now known as Sao Sebastiao. Some of the unpopulated islands shown include the Ilha de Buzios and the Ilha Montao de Trigo. Other detail on the map includes depth soundings, anchorage points, and reckoning lines.

During the Brazilian colonial period, when this map was made, sugar cane was being grown on the island and nearby Sao Sebastiao was a center of gold exportation. The name of the island was changed in the earliest 19th century to reflect its prosperity and beautiful surroundings.



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Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color. Minor dampstain in center left margin.