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**[St. Kitts / St. Christopher] Carta De La Isla De San Christoval Reducida y Gravada, Por D. Juan Lopez . . . 1780**

**Stock#:** 84337  
**Map Maker:** López  
**Date:** 1780  
**Place:** Madrid  
**Color:** Outline Color  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 15.5 x 14.5 inches  
**Price:** \$ 1,200.00



**Description:**

**Rare Spanish Map of St. Kitts**

Rare separately issued chart of St. Kitts, published by Juan Lopez, one of the most prolific mapmakers during the Spanish Enlightenment period at the end of the 18th Century.

The map is drawn from Samuel Baker's monumental 4-sheet map of St. Kitts, based upon his surveys in 1753.

Lopez's map depicts the island divided into its parishes (quartels), and contains a wealth of early information relating to houses, churches, forts, sugar mills, and individual properties. The map is also noteworthy for the level of its inland detail. Beyond the island's capital, Basseterre Town, located at the lower center of the image, the map plots individual houses and plantations, and identifies the house of the Governor.

At the time this map was produced, St. Christopher was on the way to becoming one of Great Britain's most important sugar-producing colonies in the Caribbean. By the advent of the American Revolution, the island was the richest territory per capita in the Empire. This rise to prosperity and importance explains the lavish size and detail of the map.

Includes excellent detail, both coastal and topographical, along with an extensive note regarding the



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**Rarity**

Lopez's maps rarely appear on the market.

**Detailed Condition:**