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Kentucky

Stock#: 85974
Map Maker: Melish
Date: 1812
Place: Philadelphia
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 14.5 x 8 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

John Melish Map of Kentucky

Scarce early map of Kentucky, engraved by John Melish, from his *Travels in the United States of America, in the years 1806 & 1807, and 1809, 1810 & 1811 ...*

The map shows early towns and villages, rivers, mountains and wagon roads. Several of the roads note the distances between towns including a long, arched road from Louisville to Kaskaskia, Illinois.

West of the Scioto River, the town of Alexandria is shown. Alexandria was subject to frequent flooding and was largely abandoned by the time of the construction of a dam in the area. "Taggarts C." is one of many phonetic spellings of Tygarts Creek. The road between Manchester and Chillicothe appears to be largely speculative.

The Cumberland Gap is shown, with the eastern boundary of the state shown following the west fork of the Big Sandy River instead of the east fork.

Rarity

The map is scarce on the market. This is the first example we have offered for sale.

Detailed Condition: