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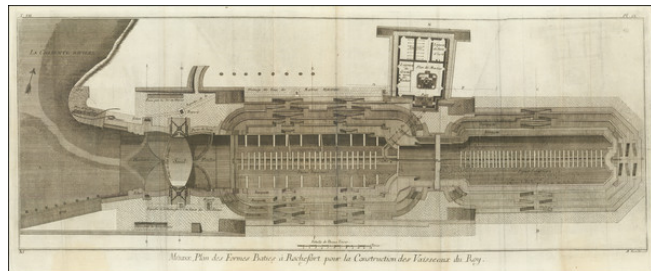
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(French Naval Dry Docks) Marine, Plan des Formes Baties a Rochefort pur la Construction des Vaisseaux du Roy [Navy, Plan of Locks Built at Rochefort for the Construction of Royal Vessels]

Stock#: 88594
Map Maker: Bellin / Diderot
Date: 1772
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 34 x 13.5 inches
Price: \$ 295.00



Description:

Impressive plan of the locks at Rochefort that the French Navy used to build naval vessels, including some that would soon fight in the American Revolution.

The plan shows the entrance to the docks from the Charente River alongside the lock system that would allow for the dry-docking of boats. Plans of the workings, including the pumps and machine houses, are shown.

This plan was designed by the main engraver for the French Navy at this time, Nicolas Bellin, and published in Diderot's monumental *Encyclopedie*.

Detailed Condition:

Minor toning. Printer's crease through right of image.