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## Dry-jaarige scheep-togt der Nederlanders onder Olivier van Noort door de Straat Magellaan on den Gantsen Aardkloot gedaan.

**Stock#:** 91251 **Map Maker:** van der Aa

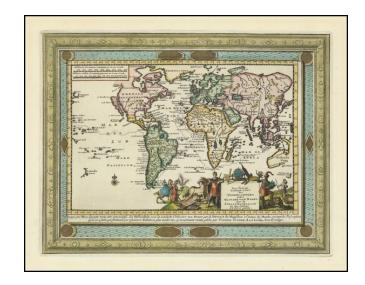
Date: 1700 Place: Leiden

Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG+

**Size:**  $11 \times 8.5$  inches

**Price:** SOLD



### **Description:**

Rare map of the world, published to illustrate a Dutch description the circumnavigation of the world by Olivier Van Noort.

California is shown as an island, with incomplete renditions of New Zealand and Australia, representing the knowledge of the region at the end of the 17th Century, as none of these cartographic features would have been known to Van Noort in 1599.

Olivier van Noort (1558-1627) was the first Dutchman to circumnavigate the world. Van Noort left Rotterdam on July 2, 1598 with four ships and a plan to attack Spanish possessions in the Pacific and to trade with China and the Spice Islands. He initially landed at Rio Janeiro, Brazil, but was driven back, and along the coast suffered many losses by the attacks of the Indians. He resolved to winter in the deserted island of Santa Clara, then set sail again on June 2, 1599.

On June 29, 1599, he discovered an island near the coast of Patagonia, and stopped there to repair damages. On November 23, 1599, he entered the Strait of Magellan, and landed on the northern coast, where he was attacked by the Indians and again suffered many losses. Soon afterward he anchored among the Penguin islands, and subsequently he discovered the bays of Olivier, Mauritius, and Henry, but could not explore the latter on account of the ice.

On February, 1600, Van Noort and the remaining crew left the Strait of Magellan, and, entering the South sea, sailed along the Chilian and Peruvian coasts, pillaging and burning as he went, and capturing several

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Spanish ships. The viceroy, Luis Velasco, sent a fleet to capture him, but Noort had already set sail across the Pacific in the direction of the Ladrone Islands. He pillaged the Philippines, visited Java and Borneo, and, sailing round the Cape of Good Hope, arrived back in Rotterdam in August 26, 1601.

Van Noort returned to Rotterdam with only his last ship, the Mauritius, and 45 of his original crew of 248 men. The venture barely broke even, but was the inspiration for more such expeditions. The United Dutch East India Company (VOC) was formed a few months later.

#### Rarity

While Van der Aa was quite prolific making maps showing famed voyages from from prior centuries, this particular map is apparently scarce on the marrket. This is the first example we have seen.

#### **Detailed Condition:**

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