

Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.

7407 La Jolla Boulevard La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500 blr@raremaps.com

The Chief Islands of ye Antille and Lucayes

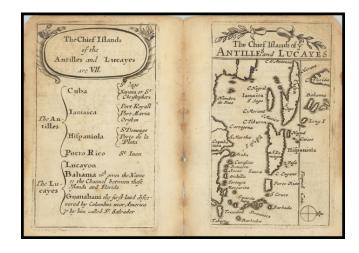
Stock#: 92185 Map Maker: Seller

Date: 1679
Place: London
Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 2.25×3.75 inches each

Price: SOLD



Description:

This 1679 map titled *The Chief Islands of ye Antille and Lucayes* was created by John Seller and published in his *Atlas Minimus* in London. It provides a focused and informative depiction of the principal islands of the Antilles and the Lucayes (present-day Bahamas), extending from southern Florida down to the northern coast of South America.

In the late 17th century, the Antilles and Lucayes were crucial territories in the burgeoning maritime and colonial ambitions of European powers. Seller's map, in this context, presents a geographical understanding attuned to these global dynamics. It offers a visual document of the islands that played a central role in trade routes, strategic military maneuvers, and colonial expansion, thereby indicating the geopolitical significance of these regions.

"The Chief Islands of ye Antille and Lucayes" represents a particular era of geographical exploration and colonial ambition. As such, it remains an insightful historical document that encapsulates the late 17th-century understanding of these crucial Caribbean territories. Notably, Seller's map provides a clear and comprehensive guide to the geography of these islands, a testament to the advanced cartographic practices of its time.

Detailed Condition:

Two engravings on facing pages of one double-page spread. Minor wear at the centerfold with toning. Corners rounded.