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**Stock#:** 92205  
**Map Maker:** van der Aa  
**Date:** 1700  
**Place:** Leiden  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** Good  
**Size:** 10.5 x 15 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

A highly attractive map embracing most of India, made during the height of the Mughal Imperial expansion.

This fine map, surrounded by an elegant frame border, encompasses most of India. While the various traditional princely states of the subcontinent are distinguished by color, much of these states had by this time fallen under the rule of the Mughal Empire of Emperor Aurangzeb (reigned 1656-1707). During Aurangzeb's reign, the Mughals expanded their presence deep into southern India, although they never managed to conquer the entire area. Most notably the great Kingdom of Mysore was able to check their advance. At the same time, much of the coastal areas were under the auspices of various European powers, including the English, Dutch, Portuguese, French and Danes. Their numerous forts and trading posts are detailed on the map. An elegant cartouche with elephants and beehive-dwellings completes the composition.

Pieter van der Aa (1659-1733), based in the university town of Leiden, was one of the Netherlands' most prolific mapmakers and chroniclers of voyages of discovery.

**Detailed Condition:**

Minor loss at top right corner.