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A Chart of Part of ye Sea Coast of England, Holland & Flanders &c. . . . According to Capt. G. Collins

Stock#: 95245
Map Maker: Moll
Date: 1730 circa
Place: London
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 10.5 x 8 inches
Price: \$ 175.00



Description:

A nicely detailed chart showing the English Channel and North Sea, from information given to Moll by Captain G. Collins.

The map shows the Sea routes from England to Holland, France and Flanders, as well as soundings, shoals and other navigational hazards. The delicately engraved compass rose orients the map at top. Drawing upon the charts of Captain Grenville Collins, Moll created a guide that goes beyond geographic detailing to include practical information for mariners.

The map includes advice on which winds are favorable for voyages between England, Holland, France, and Flanders, providing sailors with useful knowledge to inform their trips. The document not only represents geography but also serves a functional purpose, aiding those traveling in these waters.

The map marks the landing spot of King William III in 1694, adding a historical aspect to the already detailed geographical layout. This event is annotated, providing a glimpse into the past and adding to the map's richness. The spot of the loss of a Gloucester man o' war on the *Lemmon Sand* in 1682 is also shown.

Moll's chart features four primary trade routes across the North Sea and the English Channel. The routes — Dover to Calais, Thames Estuary to Ostend, Harwich to Helvootsluys, and Thames to Texel — are noted along with their respective distances in English miles. This feature enhances the map's utility for those traversing these paths.



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Furthermore, Moll's inclusion of rhumb lines, the straight lines on a globe's surface that a ship would follow if it maintained a constant compass direction, provides an invaluable tool for sailors. Along with the depths of water, the map also identifies hazards such as shoals and sandbanks. Soundings, or measurements of water depth, are also included, adding another layer of valuable information for maritime navigation.

Full Title is:

A chart of part of ye sea coast of England, Holland & Flanders &c. Shewing the sands, banks, depth of water, bearing, and the course of the principal tracts from the River Thames, and Harwich, &c. to ye Texel, Helevoet Sluys, Ostend, Calais, and their distances in English miles, with remarks. By Herman Moll Geographer, according to Capt. G. Collins. (Printed and sold by T. Bowles next ye Chapter House in St. Pauls Churchyard, & I. Bowles at ye Black Horse in Cornhill.

Detailed Condition: