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(Dartmoor) The Road from Exeter to Barnstable & Thence to Ilsarcomb co: Devon

Stock#: 77760 Map Maker: Ogilby

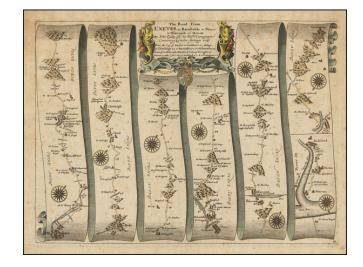
Date: 1675 circa Place: London

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: Good

Size: 17 x 12.75 inches

Price: \$ 195.00



Description:

Original antique road guide used by travelers attempting to get between Exeter, on the English Channel, and Barnstaple, on the mouth of the River Taw. This map was originally published by John Ogilby in London at the end of the seventeenth century.

This map is particularly interesting for its non-traditional representation used. Embodying a one-dimensional map, in which all detail is limited to the region alongside this road, the map would have been of immense use to the 18th-century traveler.

The route starts in Exeter, before crossing the River Ex a mile outside of town. At the top of the first moor reached is Tiverton Beacon, an old firepost that would have been used to help voyagers make their way through the sometimes very foggy moors. A period of flats follows before the high moors are entered. Eventually, at mile 38, the voyager enters Barnstable. From there, the route can be continued onto Ilfarcomb before following the coast to Bideford and Torrington.

Detailed Condition:

Some foxing and toning. Single pinhole.