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[El Dorado!] Guiana in Guianam & Caribanam divisa. Per N. Sanson

Stock#: 97909
Map Maker: Sanson
Date: 1679
Place: Frankfurt
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 10.75 x 7.75 inches
Price: \$ 225.00



Description:

A Map Showing El Dorado -- The City Paved with Gold

Nice example of Sanson's map of Guyana, first published in Paris in 1657.

Early regional map of the region bounded the Isle of Margarita, Trinidad and Tobago and the mouth of the Orinoco River in the north and extending south to the mouth of the Amazon, and showing all of the mythical Parime River in central South America.

At the west end of Lake Parime, the city of Manoa el Dorado is still shown, hopeful encouragement that this legendary city still existed in the central part of South America.

The map covers equatorial South America, east of the Orinoco, which is shown nearly to its source, and reflects the lack of knowledge regarding the interior of the continent. Excellent coastal detail and many mountains, lakes, rivers, towns, islands, capes etc. are shown. One of the earliest obtainable regional maps of this area.

This example is from Johann Zurner's Die Gantz Erd-Kugel, published in Frankfurt in 1679. The Zurner edition is the only edition to include the title in Spanish.

Detailed Condition: