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A Chart of the Great Western Ocean with the Coast of Europe, Africa & America . . .

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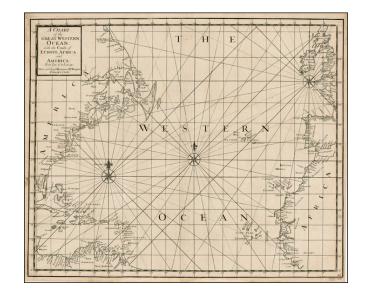
Map Maker: Senex / Halley / Cutler / Parker

Date: 1728
Place: London
Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG

Size: 23.5 x 19.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce sea chart of the Atlantic Ocean and it's surrounding countries, decorated with three compass roses with fleur-de-lys pointers and radiating rhumb lines, & was drawn under the direction of Edmond Halley (1656-1742) the English Astronomer Royal, geophysicist and geographer, and engraved by John Senex (c.1678-1740) a prominent publisher of maps, atlases and globes in 18th century London.

Edmond Halley is credited with first observing the comet that bears his name in 1682, and between 1698 and 1701, he commanded the "Paramore" taking sights and making surveys in the North and South Atlantic Ocean. This beautiful chart is the result of his observations at the time and includes the names of all major harbors, islands, banks and shoals and was designed to show courses for ships crossing the Atlantic from Europe and Africa to North and South America and the Caribbean. The chart was included in "Atlas Maritimus et Commercialis" published by James Knapton (fl.1687-1738) in 1728

The full name of the book was the Atlas maritimus & commercialis, or, A general view of the world, so far as relates to trade and navigation: describing all the coasts, ports, harbours, and noted rivers ...: to which are added sailing directions for all the known coasts and islands on the globe, with a sett of sea charts, some laid down after Mercator, but the greater part according to a new globular projection adapted for measuring distances...by scale and compass...the use of the projection justified by Dr. Halley. To which are subjoin'd two large hemispheres on the plane of the equinoctial containing all the stars in the Britannic catalogue: of great use to sailors for finding the latitude in the night / [by] Cutler, Nathaniel, et al.



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