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[Ottoman Europe] European Dominions of the Ottomans or Turkey in Europe . . . 1795

Stock#: 103250
Map Maker: Faden
Date: 1795
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 28.5 x 22 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Striking large format map of the European portion of the Ottoman Empire, published by famed London mapmaker William Faden.

The map provides a detailed cartographic representation of the Ottoman Empire's territories in Europe as they stood at the close of the 18th century. This historical artifact captures a significant moment just before the decline of Ottoman authority in the region, offering a window into the geopolitical landscape of southeastern Europe at a time when the balance of power was on the cusp of dramatic change.

The map delineates the vast stretch of territories under Ottoman rule, from the Adriatic Sea in the west to the Black Sea in the east, and from the Danube River in the north to the Aegean Sea in the south. It meticulously outlines the complex boundary lines, provinces, and key cities, providing insight into the administrative structure and the geographical challenges faced by the Ottoman rulers. The territories depicted encompass modern-day Greece, Bulgaria, Romania, Turkey's European section, and parts of Hungary, Serbia, and Bosnia and Herzegovina, reflecting the empire's extensive reach at that time.

Historically, the map is set against the backdrop of a period marked by internal strife and external pressures on the Ottoman Empire. The waning years of the 18th century saw the Ottomans grappling with the challenges of administrative inefficiencies, military defeats, and the burgeoning forces of nationalism within its dominions. The map thus serves not only as a geographical record but also as a testament to the empire's last years of significant influence in Europe before the onset of its gradual retreat in the 19th century.

Moreover, this map is invaluable for scholars and enthusiasts of European and Middle Eastern history,



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offering a tangible connection to the complex dynamics of Ottoman governance and cultural exchange in Europe. Its detailed depiction of trade routes, mountain ranges, and river systems also provides insights into the economic and environmental factors that influenced historical events in the region.

Detailed Condition: