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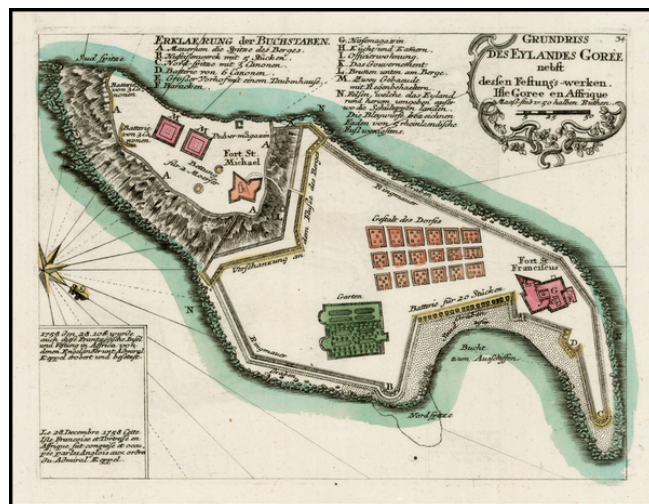
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Grundriss Des Eylandes Goree nebst dessen Festungs-werken Isle Gree en Affrique

Stock#: 28045
Map Maker: Heiden
Date: 1760
Place: Augsburg
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 9 x 7.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Detailed map of the Island of Goree in Senegal, from Heiden's *Amerikanische urquelle derer innerlichen kriege des bedrängten Teutschlands*. . .

Heiden's map illustrates a strategic French Island taken by the British during the capture of Senegal. Originally conceived by American Merchant Thomas Comming, a British Naval force under Captain Henry Marsh undertook the Capture of Senegal in 1758, during the French & Indian War. With 2 ship and 200 troops, Marsh left Plymouth in early 1758 and after a brief stop in Tenerife, the force reached Senegal in April 1758. Fort Saint Louis was captured on May 1, 1758, without casualties. The English then proceeded to capture Goree and take control of the rest of Senegal. Gorée was principally a trading post, administratively attached to Saint-Louis, capital of the Colony of Senegal. Apart from slaves, beeswax, hides and grain were also traded.

The island of Gorée was one of the first places in Africa to be settled by Europeans, as the Portuguese settled on the island in 1444. It was captured by the United Netherlands in 1588, then the Portuguese again, and again the Dutch. They named it after the Dutch island of Goeree, before the British took it over under Robert Holmes in 1664.

After the French gained control in 1677, the island remained continuously French until 1960. There were brief periods of British occupation during the various wars fought by France and Britain. The island was taken and occupied by the British between 1758 and 1763 following the Capture of Gorée and wider Capture of Senegal during the Seven Years War before being returned to France at the Treaty of Paris.



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