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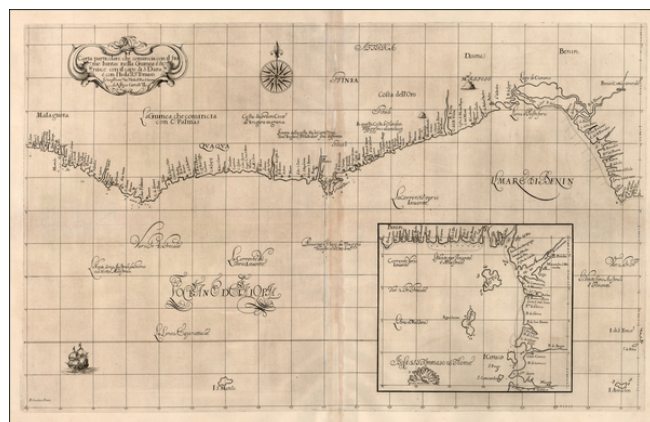
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Carta particolare che comincia con il fiume Iuntas nella Guinea e finisce con Il capo di S. Dara e con l'Isola d'S Tomaso...

Stock#: 3358
Map Maker: Dudley
Date: 1646 (1661)
Place: Florence
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 30 x 18.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The earliest obtainable English sea chart of the West Coast of Africa.

Engraved by Antonio Francesco Lucini, Dudley's map records the magnetic deviations of the compass. This is by far the largest scale treatment of the coastline to appear in any contemporary work. Rare sea chart of western Africa from Guinea to the Gabon River including the Grain Coast, Gold Coast, Ivory Coast and Slave Coast. The ancient Castel di Mino (Elmina), the center of the Gold Trade in the region, is shown. Includes a large inset of the Cameroons and Gabon with the Island of St. Thomas.

Robert Dudley, a skilled mathematician and navigator, was exiled from England and settled in Florence where his atlas was published. The chart, beautifully engraved by Antonio Lucini, is embellished with a strapwork title cartouche, large compass rose, a sailing ship and elegant calligraphy.

Detailed Condition:

Printed on two joined sheets as issued. A bit of discoloration at the centerfold and some minor repairs and support on the verso, but still a good example.