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Scandinavia and its Confines in which are the Kingdom's of Sweden, Norway &c. Divided into their Principall Provinces . . . 1719

Stock#: 49897
Map Maker: Senex
Date: 1721
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 21.5 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of John Senex's map of Scandinavia and the Baltic Sea, from his *New General Atlas*.

A very good impression of this scarce map, including a decorative cartouche, three coats of arms and a dedication to the Duke of Shando.

John Senex

John Senex (1678-1740) was an important map- and instrument-maker in early 18th century London. He began his career working for the London bookseller Robert Clavell, in 1692. Senex's apprenticeship lasted around seven years, and in 1702 he was publishing under his own name, with his own premises at St. Clemen's in the Strand. He initially published perfunctory religious texts and the like. But before long he started publishing John Seller's works, and in 1705, he had relocated "next to Fleece Tavern in Cornhill." According to some sources, he moved to the area in part to fill the gap left by the 1703 death of Cornhill mapmaker, Robert Morden. At this time, Senex continued his involvement with Seller and Price, helping launch his mapmaking career. In the 30 years, that followed he would go on to become a great atlas publisher, and perhaps the greatest globemaker in the world for the period. Senex died in 1740, and his estate, including many of the copper plates for his globes, were dispersed by his heirs over the next 20 years.



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Detailed Condition:

Original outline hand-color. Few stray pencil marks and spots.