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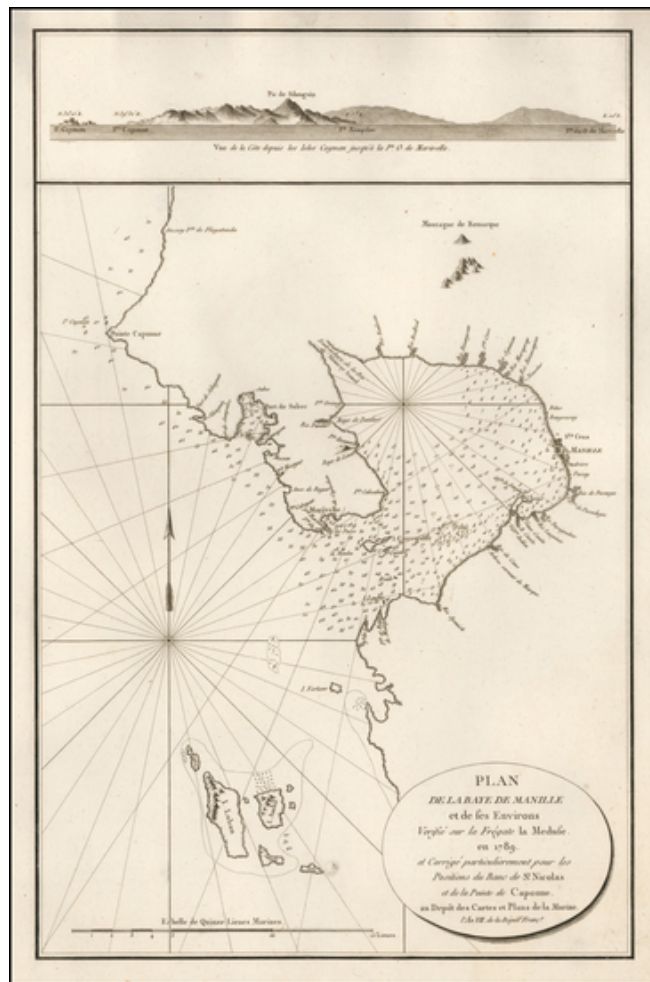
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**Plan De La Baye De Manille et de ses Environs Verifie sur la Fregate Meduse en 1789.
et Corrige particulierement pour les Positions du Banc de St. Nicolas et de la Pointe
de Caponne. au Depot des Cartes et Plans de la Marine l'An VII. de la Repube. France.**

Stock#: 57141
Map Maker: Depot de la Marine
Date: 1799
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 12 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A Legendary French Rarity -- The Survey of Manilla Bay Verified by The French Frigate Meduse

Extremely rare sea chart of the Bay of Manilla, originally created in 1789 and revised to the 7th Year of the French Republic (1799).

The chart includes a profile view of the approach to Manilla Bay, centered on Mount Silanguin.



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The original survey was conducted in 1789 by the Frigate *Meduse*. *In the same time period*, the *Meduse* was also involved in trade with Macao and private efforts to support Nguyễn Phúc Ánh, the future Emperor of Vietnam and the founder of the Nguyễn Dynasty.

The title translates:

Plan of Manila Bay and its surroundings, verified by the frigate La Meduse in 1789 and corrected, particularly regarding the positions of the (sand) bank of St. Nicolas and of Caponne Point.

We have found precious little about this survey and chart. Qurino identifies the maker as "Unknown."

Rarity

OCLC locates the copy in the Harvard Library (acquired prior to 1831) and the British Library. The Library of Congress bibliographical records suggest that the LC has held a copy since prior to 1903.

We note no auction or dealers records for the chart.

Detailed Condition: