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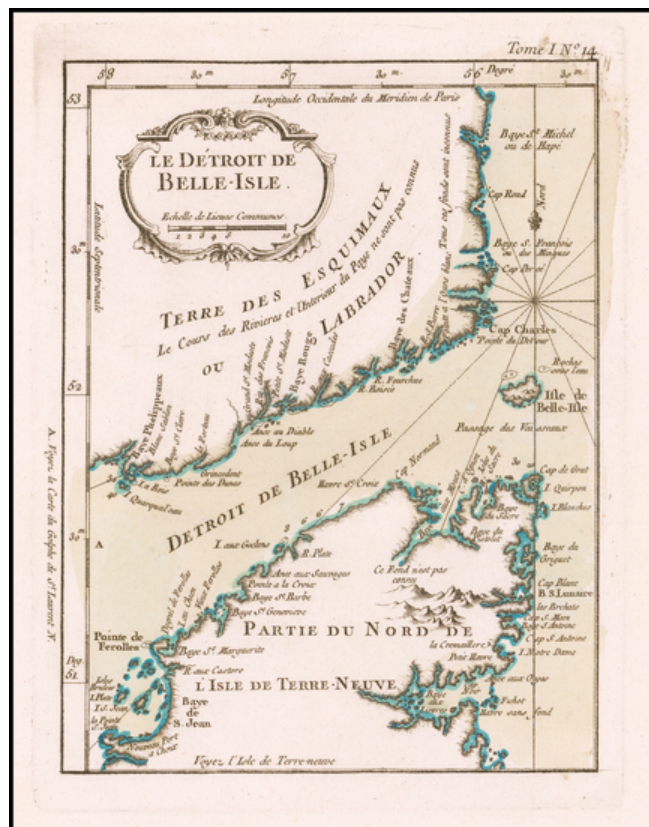
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## [Cartier's Route To the St.Lawrence] Le Detroit de Belle-Isle

**Stock#:** 58759  
**Map Maker:** Bellin  
**Date:** 1764  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 6.5 x 8.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### *Jacques Cartier's 1534 Route To the Mouth of the St. Lawrence River*

An excellent map of the Strait of Belle Isle, between Labrador and Newfoundland, from Bellin's *Petit Atlas Maritime*.

The map shows the Strait at the mouth of the Gulf of St. Lawrence, the route by which Jacques Cartier first discovered and explored the region.

In 1534, commissioned by King Francis I of France to explore the northern American lands in search of riches and the rumored Northwest Passage to Asia, Jacques Cartier sailed for America, entering the Gulf of St. Lawrence by the Strait of Belle Isle.

Cartier explored the north coast, then traveled down the west shore of Newfoundland to Cape Anguille, then discovering Magdalen and Prince Edward islands. Cartier would go on to explore Chaleur Bay and



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claim the Gaspé Peninsula for France.

Following his discovery of the inlet of the St. Lawrence River, he sailed north to Anticosti Island, and then returned to Europe.

**Detailed Condition:**