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[Santiago Bay, Cuba] Entree de La Baye de St. Yago dans l'Isle de Cube

Stock#: 59297
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1764
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 6.5 x 8.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Engraved map of the entrance to the Santiago de Cuba Bay on the Southeast Coast of Cuba, from Bellin's *Petit Atlas Maritime*, prepared at the end of the Seven Years War.

Santiago de Cuba was the fifth village founded by Spanish conquistador Diego Velázquez de Cuéllar on July 25, 1515. Santiago was the starting point of the expeditions led by Juan de Grijalba and Hernán Cortés to the coasts of Mexico in 1518, and in 1538 by Hernando de Soto's expedition to Florida. The first cathedral was built in the city in 1528. From 1522 until 1589, Santiago was the capital of the Spanish colony of Cuba.

The city was plundered by French forces in 1553, by British forces in 1603 and again in 1662 under Christopher Myngs.

The city experienced an influx of French and British immigrants in the late 18th and early 19th centuries, many coming from Haiti after the Haitian slave revolt of 1791.



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