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**Stock#:** 62447  
**Map Maker:** Doppelmayr  
**Date:** 1742  
**Place:** Nuremberg  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 22.5 x 19 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



**Description:**

Fine old color example of this scarce world map from Doppelmayr's Celestial Atlas.

World map in a stereographic projection based on the astronomically determined co-ordinates of 142 towns and cities deduced from observations of luni-solar eclipses and eclipses of the Jovian satellites. The longitudes are measured with respect to the island Ferro (El Hierro in the Canary Islands), assumed to lie exactly 22° 30' West of the Paris Observatory. Engraved between 1720 and 1722.

The map includes California as an Island, an incomplete eastern & southern coast of Australia, incomplete New Zealand and Northwest Passage.

The map is embellished with a large decorative allegorical cartouche. The double hemispheres are surrounded by celestial phenomena, including a solar and lunar eclipse and 3 groups of Cherubs making astronomical observations using the latest astronomical tools.

A fascinating blend of science and decorative cartography, splendidly engraved in the style of the Homann family.



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**Detailed Condition:**

Old color. Minor toning and soiling.