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Planisfero Del Mondo Nuovo, Descritto Dal P. Coronelli, Cosmographo Publico

Stock#: 62683
Map Maker: Coronelli

Date: 1691
Place: Venice
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 24 x 17.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Coronelli's Map of the New World

A very fine map of the Western Hemisphere including the discoveries made by Abel Tasman in Australia and an early image of the New Zealand coastline, plus California as an Island. The treatment of the Northeastern Coast of Asia and Japan are also quite unusual, including a representation of Terra di Iesso, the mythical land bridge which was frequently shown to extend from Asia to Alaska, with only the Straits of Anian separating the two continents.

California is featured as an island on the second Sanson model, with only C. Blanco named. To the north is Stretto d'Anian, northwest is Terra di Iesso, ("Scoperta dagli Holland, l'Anno 1643"), and farther west is Giaponi. The American west is dominated by Nuovo Mexico, in which live the Apaches, seemingly the only Indian tribe named. In the Pacific, portions of New Zealand, Van Diemens land, Carpentaria, and Nuova Guinea are shown. Shirley extolls the two world sheets as "a worthwhile addition to any collection. They combine the most up-to-date cartographical information with elegant engraving and retained accompanying decoration."

The decorative borders include co-ordinates and descriptions of signs of the zodiac.

The map is from Coronelli's *Atlante Veneto*. The *Atlante* was professionally designed as a continuation of Blaeu's *Atlas Maio*r and by 1701 was extended to embrace up to twelve volumes.

Detailed Condition: