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Karte des Atlantischen Oceans

Stock#: 67360
Map Maker: Schraembl
Date: 1788
Place: Vienna
Color: Outline Color
Condition: VG+
Size: 24.5 x 19.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A detailed antique map of the North Atlantic from just south of the equator to southern Greenland. The map shows coastal settlements, geopolitical boundaries, navigational features, and more. Names are given either in German or in their local language.

This map is clearly used for navigational purposes, as visible from its focus on sea-based information and relative lack of inland detail. Location of shipwrecks are shown, in addition to soundings of the Great Banks and the dates of discovery of several other shoals.

Particular attention appears to have been paid to western Africa. Drawings of four separate capes are shown, along with their rough positions. This includes Cape Mesaduro, Cape Lopez, and two capes of uncertain identification. The area is marked with many navigational notes, and it was known as a difficult to sail area. The special attention to this area is likely reflective of the large European interest in and profitability of the Atlantic System at this time.

In all, this is an extremely detailed yet visually simple map of the North Atlantic, showing extensive maritime detail that would likely have been used by navigators at the time.

Detailed Condition: