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Carte Du Golphe Persique

Stock#: 70884
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1764
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 8.5 x 6.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Early Appearance of the First Name for the Modern Sate of Qatar

Finely engraved map of the Persian Gulf, from Jacques Nicolas Bellin's *Le Petit Atlas Maritime Recueti de Cartes et Plans des Quatre Parlies du Monde en Cinq Volumes*, first published in Paris in 1764.

Names the following locations on the Gulf: el Katif, Isle Baharem, Isles Samaca, Hims, Kalt, Catura, Ras-Ollima, Calba, Isle Zara, Julfar, and Pagode.

Katara

The name Katara, Catara or Catura is the earliest recorded name for the area around the modern state of Qatar.

The name "Catara" began appearing as a name for the Qatar Peninsula in geographic and historical maps in about 150 A.D by the Alexandrian geographer Claudius Ptolemaeus in 150 AD. The name also appeared in the *Atlas of the History of Islam*. The town appeared northwest of Gerra or near it, and to the west of the town of Cadara.

The use of the name Catara or Katara was largely abandoned until the 18th Century, when it began to re-appear on printed maps.



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