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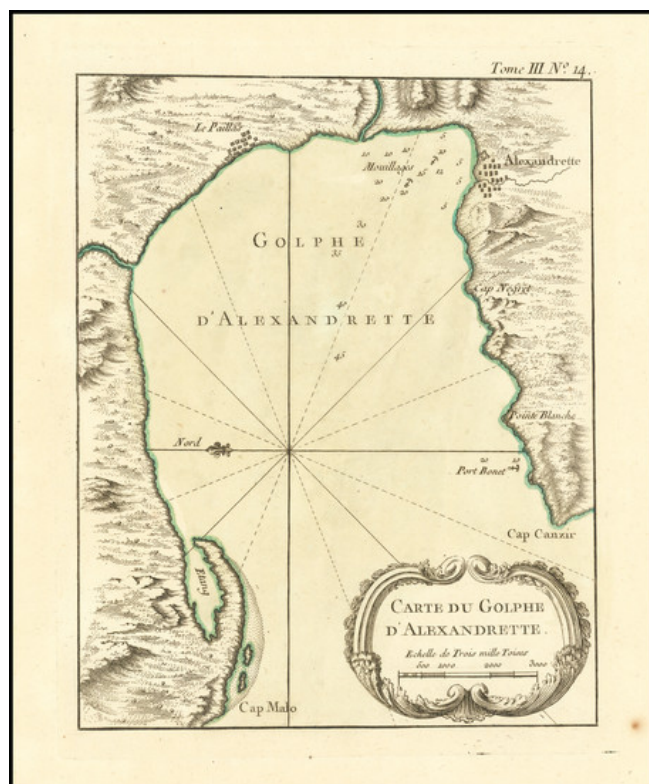
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(İskenderun, Turkey) Carte du Golphe d'Alexandrette

Stock#: 71482
Map Maker: Bellin
Date: 1764
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 7 x 8.5 inches
Price: \$ 125.00



Description:

Finely engraved map of the Gulf of Alexandrette (İskenderun), on the south central coast of Turkey.

The map is oriented with east at the top.

The map appeared in Bellin's landmark 5 volume *Petit Atlas Maritime*, containing 580 finely detailed charts.

İskenderun, historically known as Alexandretta and Scanderoon, is a city in Hatay Province on the Mediterranean coast of Turkey. The city is named for an earlier settlement of Alexandria and Issum. The settlement was founded by Alexander the Great in 333 BC to supersede Myriandus as the key to the Syrian Gates. Alexander camped in the highlands of İskenderun, around Esentepe, and then ordered the city to be established and named Alexandria.

The bishopric of Alexandria Minor was a suffragan of Anazarbus, the capital and so also the ecclesiastical metropolis of the Roman province of Cilicia Secunda.



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During the under the Ottoman Empire, in 1606, the army of General Kuyucu Murat Pasha suppressed the Jelali revolts. The Ottomans continued to fortify the city, and the remains of the early 17th-century Ottoman castle walls can still be seen where the Güzün stream crosses the Varyant road. The city was well described in 1675 by the English naval chaplain Henry Teonge in his diary. The next army to cross the Belen Pass and attack Anatolia through here were the Egyptians of Muhammad Ali in 1832.

Detailed Condition: