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## Devonshire With Excester Described and the Armes of Such Nobles as have Borne the titles of them.

**Stock#:** 76090  
**Map Maker:** Speed  
**Date:** 1676  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 20 x 14.75 inches  
**Price:** \$ 1,250.00



### Description:

A great example of John Speed's map of Devonshire, from his *Theatre of Great Britain*. Highly decorative in a style typical of Speed, this map shows this west-country county in magnificent detail.

The biggest topographical detail on the map is the region of Dartmoor, high moorland with a desolate atmosphere. The three main north-south rivers of the county are all shown, these are the Rivers Plym, Ex, and Dart, which outflow at Plymouth, Exeter, and Dartmouth. Forests and walled gardens are shown pictorially. Towns are colored in red. Parts of Somerset (which reaches both the north and the south coasts) and Cornwall are shown.

The map includes a detailed plan of Exeter that names 48 churches, streets, gates, and residences, though the university does not appear yet. Eight regional coats of arms appear to the left of the map, including the royal coat of arms of the Beaufort family, whose most famous member, Lady Margaret Beaufort, was mother to King Henry VII. The coat of arms of the United Kingdom appears above this.

### Detailed Condition:

Margins repaired. Minor centerfold repair.