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L'Afrique, ou Lybie Ulterieure ou font Le Saara, ou Desert, Le Pays Des Negres, La Guinee, et Pays circonv. Tiree en partie de Sanut, et de l'Arabe de Nubie, en partie de diveres Cartes veues . . . est apres les Observations de Samuel Blomart . .

Stock#: 79132 **Map Maker:** Sanson

Date: 1655 Place: Paris

Color: Outline Color

Condition: VG+

Size: 21.5 x 13.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Sanson's 1655 double-page engraved map of West Africa. The map shows a fantastic level of detail near the coastlines, which extends into legend and Ptolemaic myth in the interior of the continent.

Detail is particularly extensive in Guinea and the Gold and Ivory Coasts. The Niger River is traced to its Malian lakes. The Mediterranean is barely visible in the northern part of the map.

This map incorporates the discoveries made by Samuel Blommaert, who was director of the Dutch West Indies Company, in addition to traveling extensively to Africa and settling the oldest land deed in the state of Delaware. He was also instrumental in the founding of New Sweden.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color. Very minor fold toning. Very minor spot in eastern Senegal.