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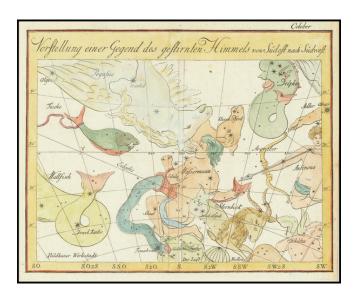
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(October) Vorstellung einer Gegend des gestirnten Himmels von Sudost nach Sudwest

Stock#: Map Maker:	79496 Bode
Date:	1801
Place:	Berlin
Color:	Hand Colored
Condition:	VG+
Size:	$8 \ge 6.5$ inches
Price:	\$ 245.00



Description:

Fantastic celestial chart depicting the stars visible around the ecliptic line during the month of October. This original antique copperplate engraving was originally published by Johann Elert Bode in his Vorstellung der Gestirne auf XXXIV Tafeln, 1805.

The map was published as part of a series of twelve charts that showed the constellations that are most clearly visible at any point in the year. In October, these are the signs of the Zodiac of Pisces, Aquarius, and Capricorn, as well as other constellations including Dolphin and Pegasus. The line of the zodiac passes through the image, but it should be noted that the signs associated with each month are not those best visible in each month, they are simply those that are directly opposite from the sun, and therefore low in the sky in the northern hemisphere.

Johan Elert Bode was an important German publisher of scientific celestial charts, with one of his works being termed "the most elaborate atlas of stars and constellations published to date and perhaps the last great star atlas." His charts are highly decorative.

Detailed Condition: