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Swallow-tailed Hawk. Plate 18.

Stock#: 81159
Map Maker: Bien / Audubon
Date: 1860
Place: New York
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 29 x 22 inches (including text)
Price: \$ 950.00



Description:

Attractive chromolithographed image of the Swallow-tailed kite (*Elanoides forficatus*) grappling with a garter snake in its fearsome claws.

The plate comes from the Julius Bien edition of Audubon's *Birds of America*, the second large-format 19th-century edition of the most important color plate book of all time.

The Swallow-tailed Hawk, as it is referred to by Audubon, is a resident of the American Southeast and Florida, with its range extending to South America.

Audubon gives the antiquated Linnean binomial, *Falco Furcatus*.

Detailed Condition:

Chromolithograph on wove paper. A few expert marginal mends.