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(Early Nepal Trekking Map used by Famed Botanist Oleg Polunin) Latest Trekking Map Pokhara to Jomosom Manang Showing the New Treks

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Map Maker: Nepal Book Seller

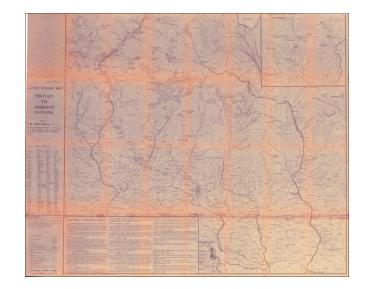
Date: 1978

Place: Kathmandu Color: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 33.4 x 30.75 inches

Price: \$ 145.00



Description:

Early trekking map of the northern portion of West Nepal, focused on the region just to the south of the Chinese border, in the vicinity of Jomson.

The map shows the region in extremely fine detail, with contours, rivers, roads, towns, and more shown. This map was produced locally, in Kathmandu, for the trekkers that started to arrive in the region to explore its natural beauty in the late 20th century.

The map includes a translation guide to Nepali, facilitating basic communication between trekkers and the local people. In addition, an inset in the upper right shows the Dhaulagiri Himal. An extensive text description of the trek from Pokhara to Jomson is given with a day-by-day breakdown.

Provenance

This map was used by the botanist Oleg Polunin on his travels to the region. Educated at Magdalen, Oxford, and having taught at Charterhouse, he wrote several important texts for students of botany. His early work focused on European flowers, but later he started studying wild flowers in the Himalaya. He was awarded the Linnean Society's H. H. Bloomer Award in 1983, shortly after the publication of this map. He died in 1985.

Detailed Condition:



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Cyanotype map. Fold toning. Wear at folds. Former tape repair to lower horizontal fold visible on printed map. Ballpoint pen reading "Oleg Polunin" on front cover.