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(Bay of Biscay) Galliae, Biscajae et Gallisiae Sinus

Stock#: 90361 **Map Maker:** Ottens

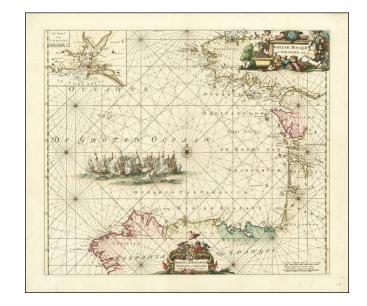
Date: 1745

Place: Amsterdam Colored Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 22 x 19 inches

Price: \$ 750.00



Description:

Finely executed sea chart of the Bay of Biscay, first published by Frederick De Wit in 1675.

The map shows the coastline from Bretagne to Biarritz, before turning westward to cover the Basque and Galician coastlines of northern Spain. In the Atlantic Ocean, a fierce naval battle scene is shown. In the top left corner, an inset showing the port of Lorient in Bretegane.

Includes a Latin title in cartouche top right and Dutch title and publisher's imprint in cartouche bottom center

The first state of the map appeared in Frederik De Wit's *Atlas de la Navigation* (1675), one of the most striking products of Dutch maritime cartography. It was "thoroughly corrected" (Koeman) by Renard in the early eighteenth century and amended again by Ottens in 1745 for their editions of the atlas. Koeman explains, "this continuous revision proves that the atlas was intended for use at sea and not only for the consultation on shore."

Detailed Condition: