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## (The North Sea) Mare Germanicum ab Amelandia ad Promontoria Caleti et Doverae | Pascaert van de Noord Zee van Ameland tot de Hoofden . . .

**Stock#:** 92715 **Map Maker:** Ottens

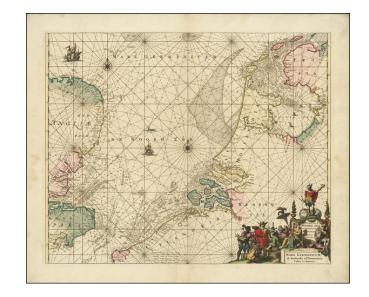
**Date:** 1745

Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG+

**Size:** 22.75 x 18.5 inches

**Price:** \$ 975.00



## **Description:**

Finely colored example of Reiner & Iosua Ottens' sea chart of the North Sea, first engraved by Frederick De Wit.

The chart depicts the North Sea from Ameland in the Netherlands to the Straits of Dover and includes detailed information on the soundings, shoals, and rhumb lines of the region.

The rhumb lines, which are lines on the chart that show the direction of travel, are particularly detailed on this chart. The lines are shown in a web-like pattern that covers the entire chart, making it easy for sailors to navigate the North Sea. The chart also includes soundings, which are measurements of the depth of the sea, and shoals, which are underwater ridges or sandbars that can be dangerous for ships. The detailed information on the chart helped sailors navigate safely through the treacherous waters of the North Sea.

The chart is embellished with sailing ships and compass roses. The sailing ships give a sense of the bustling maritime traffic that was common in the region. The chart also includes a large allegorical cartouche, celebrating the Dutch trading empire around the world.

## **Detailed Condition:**