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## [Set of 5 D-Day Maps of Normandy] Les Pieux Guernsey, Cherbourg-Valognes, Avranches-Fogueres, St.-Lô-Vire, Caen-Falaise

**Stock#:** 93936  
**Map Maker:** War Office  
**Date:** 1943  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** Good  
**Size:** 38.5 x 31.7 inches (Largest sheet size)  
**Price:** \$ 3,500.00



### Description:

This set of five D-Day maps of Normandy, published by the War Office in 1942 and revised in 1943, offers a detailed depiction of strategic locations such as Les Pieux, Guernsey, Cherbourg-Valognes, Avranches-Fogueres, St.-Lô-Vire, and Caen-Falaise. The set represents five contiguous sheets from the France at Scale 1:100,000 series produced by the Geographical Section, General Staff No 4249, these maps were drawn and reproduced at the Ordnance Survey.

The intricate details included in the maps, such as classifications of roads, footpaths, railways, and various types of bridges and canals, provide insight into the landscape and infrastructure of Normandy before and during the D-Day landings. The inclusion of elements like cemeteries, churches, forts, and even natural features like marshes and quarries, offers a comprehensive understanding of the region's geography and topography as it stood during the war. Such thoroughness was essential for planning military operations, especially in a landscape that was soon to become a major front in the war.

These maps document the state of a critical region just before and during the Allied invasion, offering researchers and historians a tangible connection to this pivotal moment in history. The coverage extends as far east as Villerville and encompasses the entire Cotentin Peninsula, providing a broad and detailed view of the region, making these maps a vital resource for understanding the geographical context of one of World War II's most crucial phases.



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**Provenance**

It is our understanding that these maps were carried by an Allied soldier during D-Day and the subsequent campaign in Normandy.

**Detailed Condition:**

Five sheets, unjoined. Fold wear and small losses.