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## Die gantze Erd-Kugel / Bestehend Inden vier befannten Theilen der Welt / Als Europa, Asia, Africa und America Sampt schoenen neuen unde accuraten Land=Karten . . . .

**Stock#:** 94391  
**Map Maker:** Sanson / Zunners  
**Date:** 1679  
**Place:** Frankfurt  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 7.5 x 9.8 inches (binding)  
**Price:** \$ 8,500.00



### Description:

Nice example of the first German version of Sanson's world atlas, "Description de Tout l'Univers", published by Johann David Zunner.

The maps in this edition have been re-engraved from Sanson's original quarto versions. The atlas showcases 63 maps spanning all four continents:

Europe (13 maps) highlights: Europe overall, British Isles, Denmark & southern Sweden, Scandinavia, Russia, France, Germany, Low Countries, Poland & Lithuania, Spain & Portugal, Italy, Greece, and the Hungary & Balkans region.

Asia (17 maps) includes: The entire continent, Turkey in Asia, Anatolia, Middle East, Caucasus & Caspian areas, Arabia, Persia, a double-feature of Southeast Asia, northern and southern parts of India, China, Tartary, Japan, a combined map of Philippines & Ladrones, East Indies (with detailed insets), Indonesia, and Ceylon & Maldives.

Africa (18 maps) offers views of: The continent as a whole, western Africa, the southern and northern parts of Morocco, Algeria, Tunisia & Libya, westward-oriented Egypt, the northern and southern regions of west Africa, Guinea, Ethiopia & Sudan, a dual map of Horn of Africa & Zanzabar coast, Congo, the southernmost part of Africa, Madagascar, Canary Islands, and Malta.

America (15 maps) captures: West Indies, the entire North America, Canada & Northeastern US, a stretch from the Southern US to Texas, the southern and northern parts of Mexico (the latter featuring insular California), Central America, South America, Colombia & Venezuela, Guiana, regions of Peru & Amazonia, Chili, Brazil, La Plata area, and the regions of Patagonia & Tierra del



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Accompanying each map is a descriptive text of the region. A beautifully crafted frontispiece in the atlas depicts female figures symbolizing the four continents.

**Collation:**

*4 parts in 2 volumes, first German edition, additional engraved title with female allegorical figures representing the 4 continents, 63 engraved maps (59 double-page, 5 folding).*

RV Tooley noted that the embellishment is "confined to a title cartouche for each map . . . they are very clear and neat, and pleasing to the eye and of handy format".

**Detailed Condition:**