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[Salzburg] S.R.I Principatus et Archiepiscopatus Salisburgensis...

Stock#: 94414
Map Maker: Homann
Date: 1720
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22.75 x 19 inches
Price: \$ 575.00



Description:

Crafted around 1720, the map of the Principatus and Archiepiscopatus of Salzburg provides an intricate snapshot of the region during this historical period.

The Salzach River, the lifeblood of the area, meanders through diverse towns and cities, each painstakingly marked. Lakes, mountains, and rivers ornament the landscape, their representations punctuated by bridges—indicators of the significant engineering feats of the time.

A notable feature of the map is its depiction of the booming salt mining industry, evidenced by distinct symbols marking salt mines, a testament to the industry's role in shaping the economic and cultural fabric of the region.

Salzburg, the residence of the Prince-Archbishop, holds a place of prominence. As the religious and political epicenter of the region, it's significantly highlighted. Meanwhile, settlements such as Friesach and Strasburg on the Gurk River, and Sankt Andre on the Lavant River, offer glimpses into the region's rural existence.

A captivating alpine scene comes to life within a decorative cartouche at the top left of the map. Activities such as hunting and smelting are illustrated, symbolizing the region's natural bounties. Two allegorical female figures accentuate the scene, underscoring the area's agricultural, hunting, and fishing richness.

The map's focal point is a grand vignette featuring Franz Anton von Harrach, the influential Prince-



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Archbishop of Salzburg from 1709 to 1727. Surrounded by allegorical figures representing the Holy Roman Empire, the tableau illustrates Harrach's prominence and far-reaching influence. Cherubs and heralds, poised with a trumpet, crown, and purple robes, suggest the anticipation of dressing Harrach in royal attire.

Below this depiction, a globe emphasizes Salzburg's central position, encircled by nine cherubs adorned in cardinal's hats and holding staffs. Following this, the scene titled "prospectus Montis Plain prope Salisb," or "view of the Plain mountain near Salzburg," demands attention. This intriguing title likely refers to Maria Plain, a pilgrimage church located on Plainberg mountain near Salzburg, with a portion of the church's outer structures shown. Its representation on the map indicates its religious significance during this era. The scene shows an allegorical female figure resting on a large cask, her gaze directed upward toward the cherubs. This might symbolize the relationship between the physical landscape, its bounty, and the strong spiritual influence of sites like Maria Plain in the region.

The map includes a remarkably comprehensive set of symbols, which include:

Erklärung der Zeichen - Explanation of the symbols

STÄTT - Cities

Märck - Markets

Hof-Marck - Court market

Schlößer - Castles

Dorffer - Villages

Gepfarrte Dorffer - Parished villages

Paß durchs Geburg - Pass through the mountains

Erz-Bifch Bifchofft - Archbishop Bishopric (seems like it's written in an old German script, correct modern German would be 'Erzbischof Bischoftum')

Univerfitat - University

Refident - Residence

Clofter Cong. Bened. Salisb - Monastery Congregation of the Benedictines of Salzburg (again, written in old German, correct modern German would be 'Kloster Cong. Bened. Salzburg')

Andere Clofter - Other monasteries

Marianische Wallf - Marian pilgrimage sites

Andere Wallfahrten - Other pilgrimage sites

Bergwerck. Gold. Silber. Kupfer. Eisen. Bley, Schwefel Stahl - Mines: Gold, Silver, Copper, Iron, Lead, Sulphur, Steel

Queksilber. Vitriol. Galmey, Schmelzwerck Hamerwerck. Salz - Mercury, Vitriol, Galmei, Smelting works, Hammer works, Salt



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Pflegen - Care (this could potentially refer to administrative districts or care institutions, depending on context)

Land Gericht - Country court

Poft Abwechsl - Post exchange

Poft Weg - Post route

Landstraß - Country road

Pruggen - Bridges

Holzrechen - Wood rake (or potentially a mechanism for collecting logs in rivers)

Detailed Condition: