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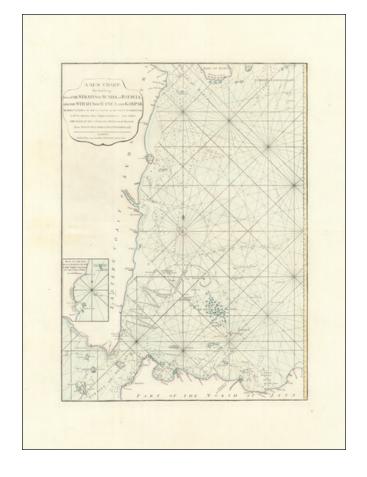
Map Maker: Laurie & Whittle

Date: 1794 Place: London

Color: Hand Colored **Condition:** VG+

Size: 19 x 25.75 inches

Price: \$ 675.00



Description:

Detailed chart showing the area between the Straits of Banca and Sunda Strait, which appeared in Laurie & Whittle's *East-India Pilot*, or *Oriental Navigator* . . .

The Sunda Strait was an important shipping route used especially by the Dutch East India Company, who considered it a gateway to the Spice Islands during the late eighteenth and early seventeenth centuries. The famous volcanic island of Krakatoa (labeled here as "Cracatoa") is shown at the bottom left of the map. Also shown is the island labeled "Thwart the Way", the former Dutch name for the present-day island of Sangiang.

The map extends south to the northern coastline of Java, including the Dutch East India Company (VOC) headquarters in Batavia (Jakarta).



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"The Thousand Islands", just north of Java, was the site of several clashes between the Dutch and British forces, whose string of 105 islands were used by European forces as shipyards, sanitariums, quarantine facilities and fortress sites.

The top right corner of the map shows the "Entrance of Gaspar Straits", which connects the Java to the South China Sea. A small inset on the left-hand side of the map entitled "Plan of the Bay Between North Island & The Three Sisters by Captain Lestock Wilson".

Detailed Condition: