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## Survey of Cyprus Administration & Road Map

**Stock#:** 96688  
**Map Maker:** Department of Lands & Surveys,  
Cyprus  
**Date:** 1970  
**Place:** Cyprus  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 34 x 21 inches  
**Price:** \$ 245.00



### Description:

*Survey of Cyprus Administration & Road Map*, compiled, drawn, and printed by the Department of Lands & Surveys in Cyprus, provides a detailed account of the island nation's topography and infrastructural development in the early 1970s. This is the first edition published in 1970. This folding map offers information on road types, district boundaries, settlements, and notable geographical and cultural landmarks.

During the 1970s, Cyprus, as an emerging independent nation, grappled with socio-political challenges and pursued infrastructural improvements. The map presents a tableau of a country in transition, highlighting roads of varying surfaces and widths, railway lines for ore transport, and the demarcations of the British sovereign base areas—a legacy of the colonial past. Such detailed representation bears witness to the island's administrative attempts to organize and improve transportation and land use during a period of geopolitical sensitivity.

Beyond its utility as a navigational guide, this map stands as a testament to the cultural and historical wealth of Cyprus. With markers indicating ancient sites, monasteries, churches, mosques, and other antiquities of interest, the map offers insights into the diverse heritage and the layered history of the region. These designations invite contemplation on the coexistence of different religious and cultural traditions and their spatial relationship within the Cypriot landscape.

The detailed cartographic features such as the heights of principal mountains, contours with vertical intervals, and approximate altitudes of localities further emphasize the island's varied topography. Lighthouses, airports, mines, and the detailed categorization of settlements by size reflect both the nation's maritime identity and its ongoing industrial and urban progression. In sum, this map serves as a comprehensive record, capturing Cyprus at a pivotal moment in its history.



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**Detailed Condition:**

Folding map with original paper covers. Detailed city plans on verso.