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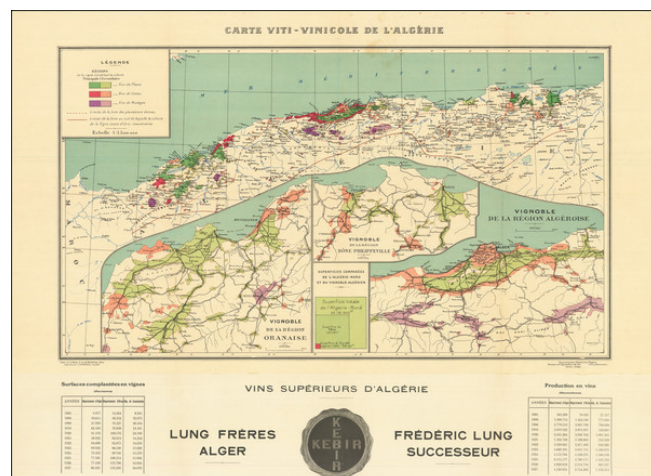
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[Algerian Viticulture] Carte Viti-Vinicole de l'Algérie

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Map Maker: Gouvernement General de l'Algérie
Date: 1927
Place: Algiers
Color: Color
Condition: VG
Size: 29.25 x 16.5 inches
Price: \$ 395.00



Description:

Rare separately published map promoting Algerian viticulture, published by the Algerian Government.

The map shows a general map of Algeria and three more focused maps of wine growing regions, Oranaise, Bone-Philippeville, and Algéroise.

Two table illustrate the growth of wine production in Algeria between 1881 and 1927, along with the names associated with *Frederic Lung Royal Kebir* wines.

The history of Algerian wine is deeply rooted in the ancient Phoenician and Roman eras, but experienced a decline during Islamic rule due to religious prohibitions on alcohol. The French colonization of Algeria in 1830 revitalized the industry, and Algerian vineyards even filled the void in France caused by the mid-19th century phylloxera epidemic. German winemakers from Baden further advanced Algerian winemaking techniques.

By the late 1930s, Algeria was a significant wine producer, its output forming a substantial part of the international wine trade. Algerian red wines, particularly those made from the Carignan grape, were commonly used for blending with weaker French wines. Among the prominent labels, Lung Frederic Kebir stands out as a marker of the complex relationship between colonial enterprise and indigenous viticulture.

Detailed Condition: