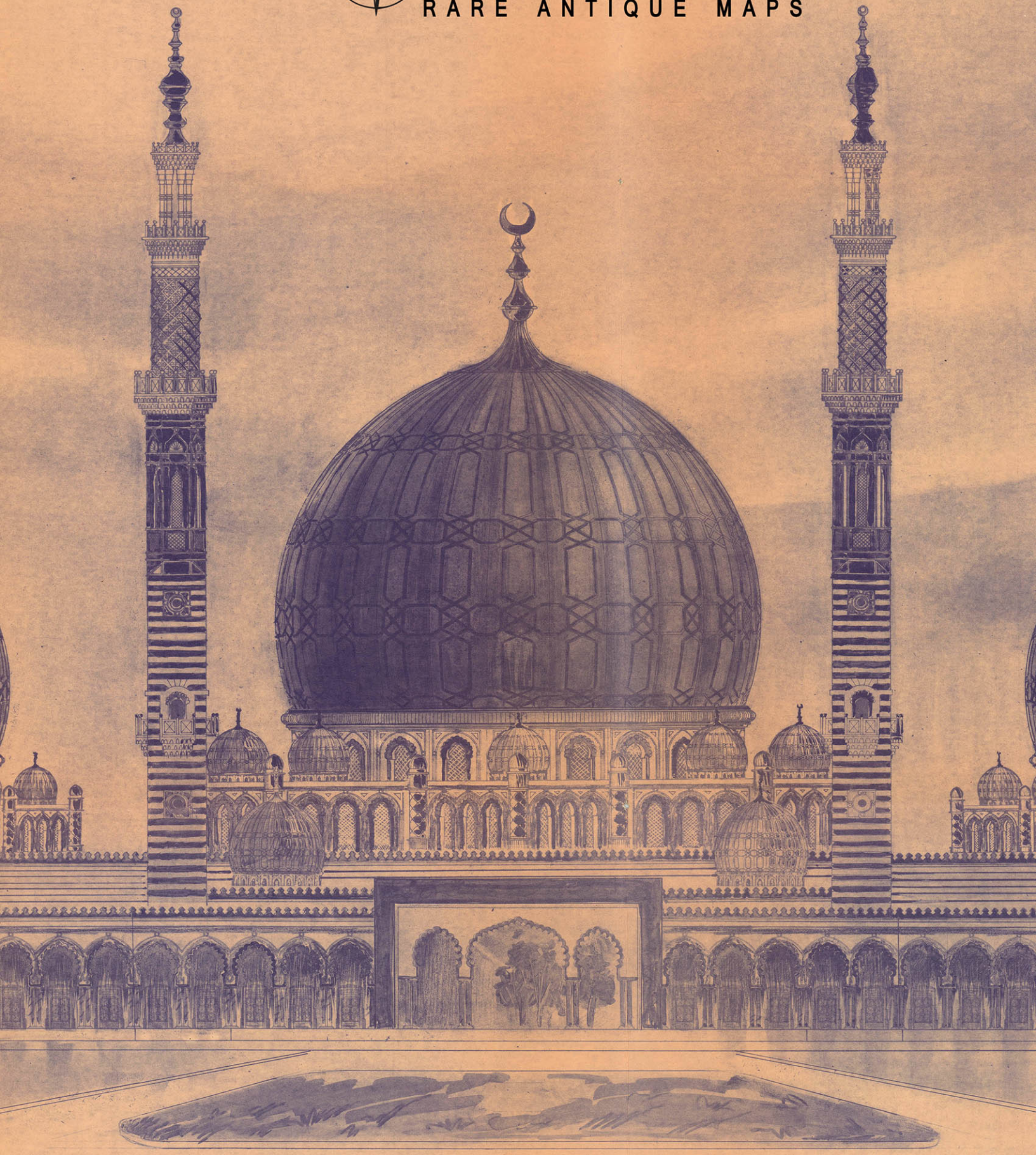
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Spreading the Age of Discovery.



16.75 x 11.5 inches

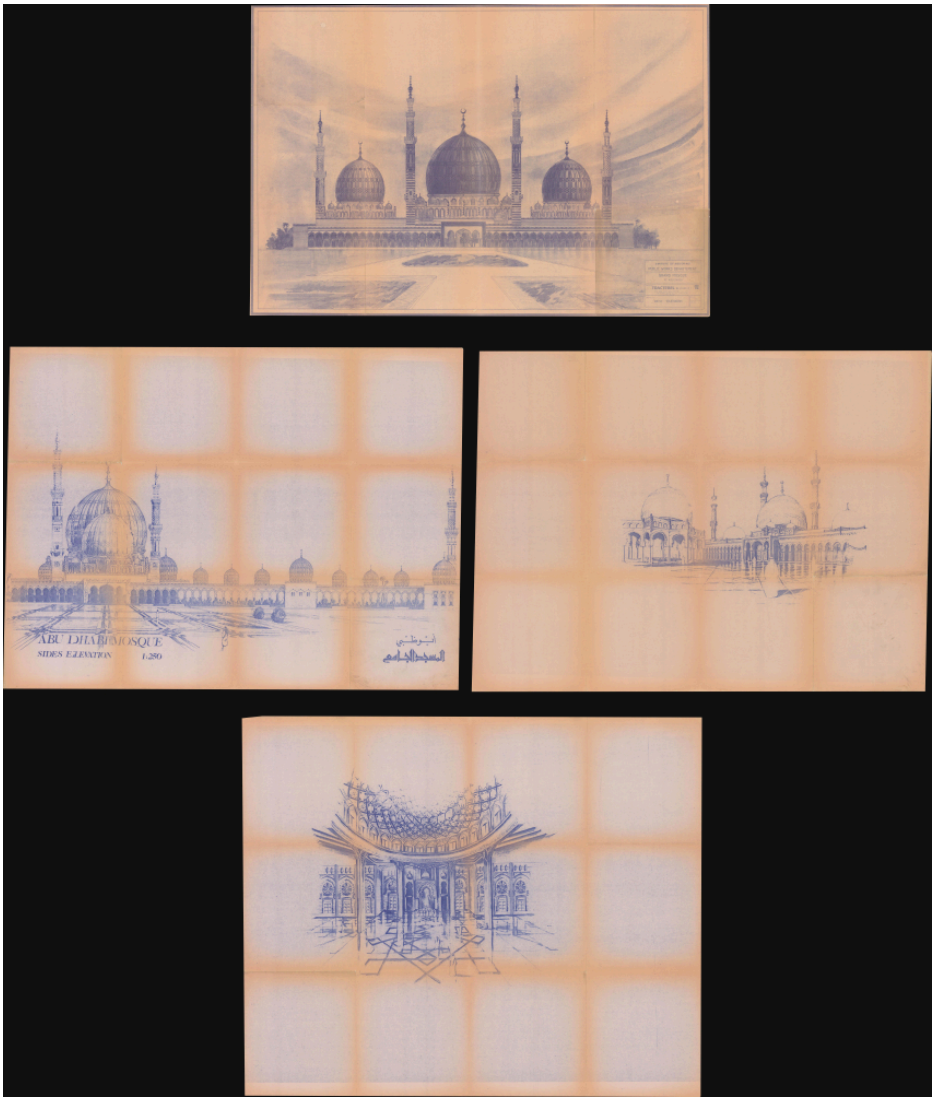
1535 (dated)

This is Lorenz Fries' expanded version of Ptolemy's Geography: an attractive, complete example of the 1535 issue edited by Michael Villanovus (Servetus). It is a key document of the Discovery Era, containing an array of the earliest disseminated maps of Africa, the Indies and the New World; one of its trio of world maps is the earliest acquirable map to name 'America.' This 1535 Servetus edition is scarce. Many were burned when the editor was condemned for heresy in 1553: only one example of this edition is listed in an institutional collection.

Geographia-fries-1535

$55,000.00

Early Plans of Abu Dhabi's Stunning Grand Mosque.



33.25 x 50 inches

1996 (undated)

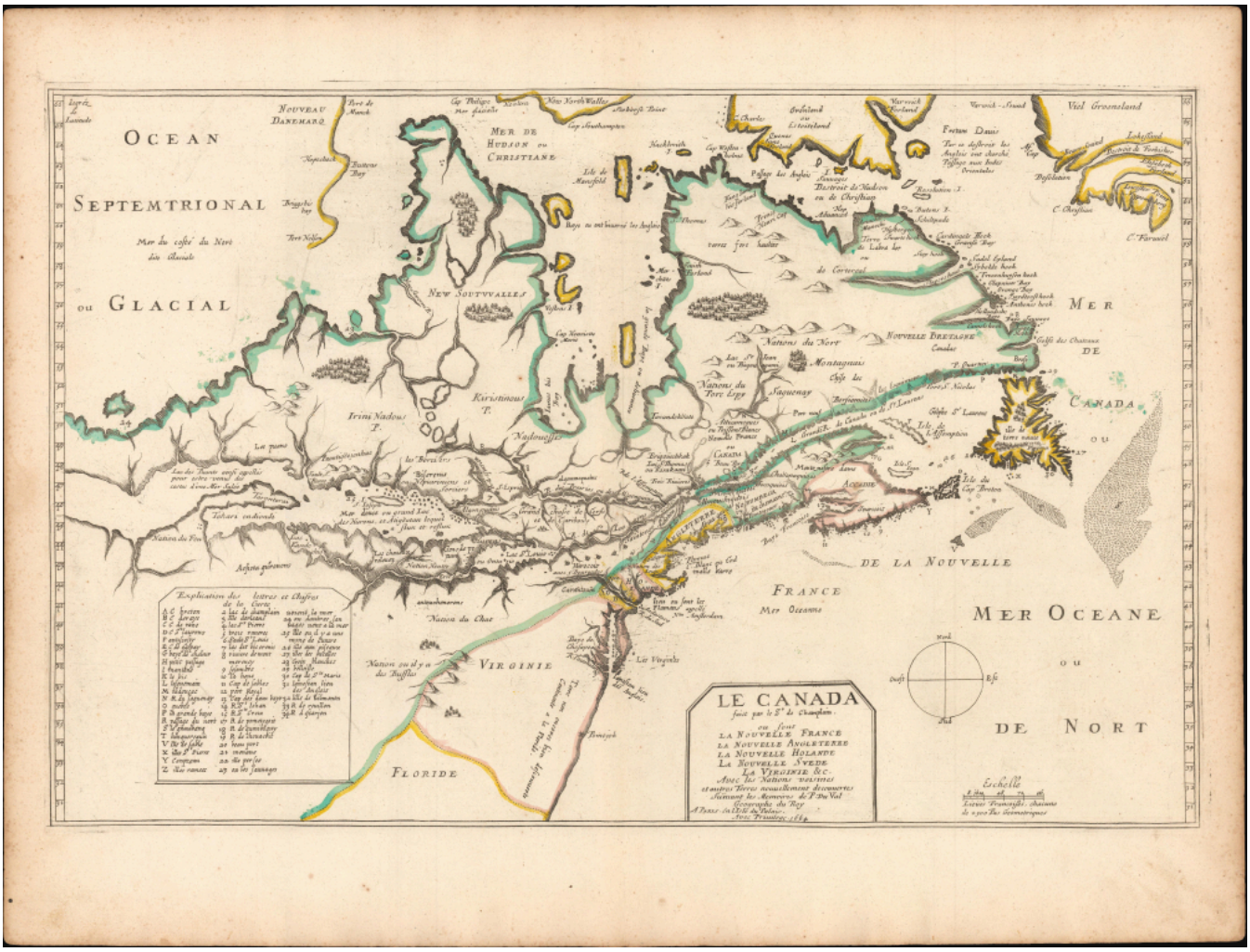
This is a set of four c. 1996 diazotype or whiteprint sheets prepared by the firm Tractebel Al Khaleej laying out plans for the Sheikh Zayed Grand Mosque in Abu Dhabi. The magnificent structure, the third-largest mosque in the world (after those in Mecca and Medina), was conceived by Sheikh Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan, the architect of modern Abu Dhabi and the United Arab Emirates, and became his final resting place upon his death in 2004.

AbuDhabiMosque-tractebel-1996

$27,000.00

Le Canada faict par le Sr. de Champlain ou son La ...

Champlain's lost map of the Great Lakes, printed in 1664 from his original copperplate: a landmark of exploration whose true origins lay hidden for three centuries.



14 x 21 inches

1664 (dated)

This is a 1664 Pierre Du Val issue of one of the great maps of North American discovery: Samuel de Champlain's long-lost 1616 map, engraved after his extraordinary journey into the Great Lakes region and first printed in 1653 from Champlain's original copperplate. It preserves the geographical revelations of Champlain's 1615-16 expedition, when travel with Indigenous allies carried him deep into the continental interior and transformed European understanding of the Great Lakes. Intended for Champlain's account of these discoveries, the map lay unfinished for four decades before Du Val completed the engraving and published it in 1653. This example belongs to that remarkable publishing history, through which the major work of Champlain's exploration finally reached the public. Its true origins remained unrecognized until 1953 - exactly 300 years later! - when the discovery of an unfinished impression at the John Carter Brown Library revealed that beneath Du Val's additions survived Champlain's own lost map.

LaCanada-duval-1664-2

$14,000.00

[Tabula terrae novae]

One of the Earliest maps to name America.



11.25 x 16.5 inches

1522 (undated)

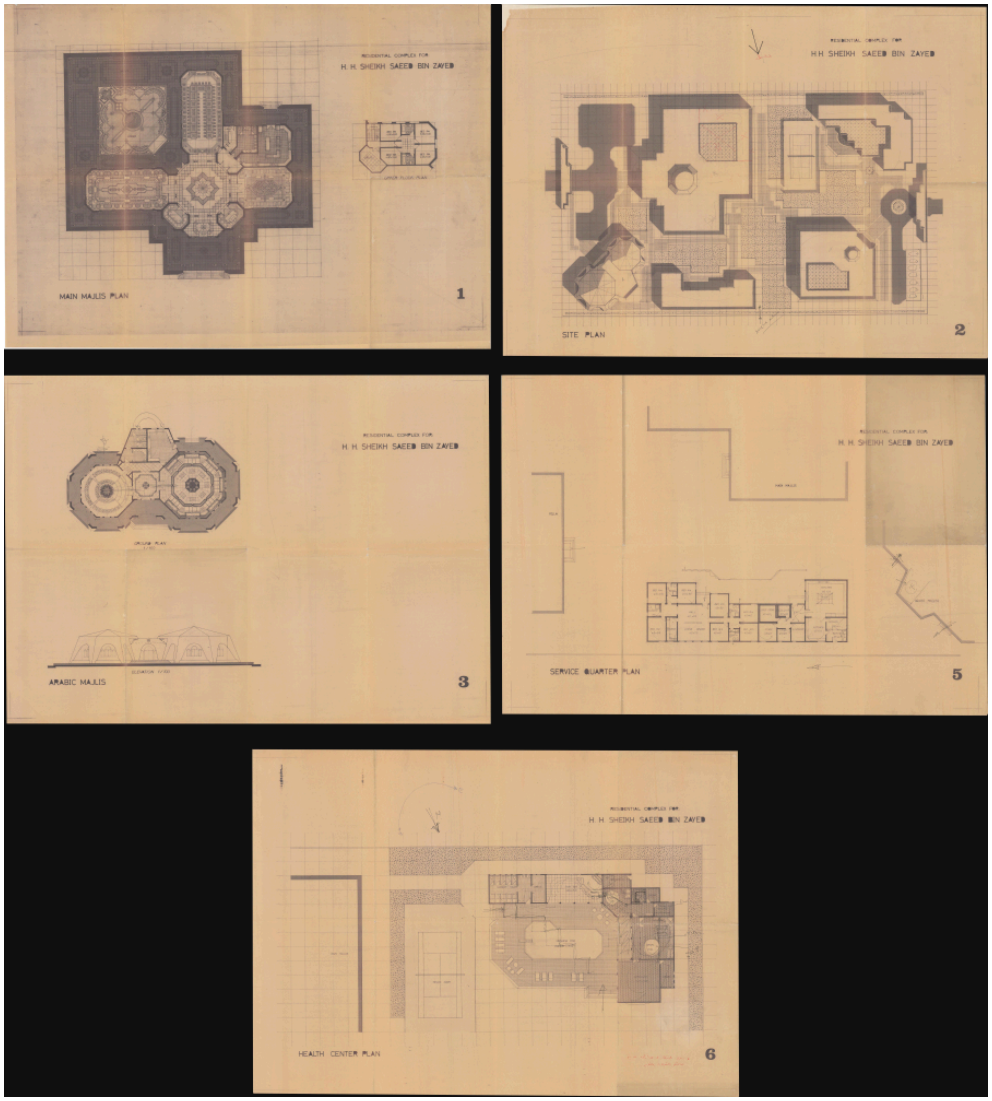
A cartographic landmark, this is Lorenz Fries' edition of the first separate, printed map of America. First printed in 1522, it succeeds and synthesizes Martin Waldseemüller's 1513 Tabula Terre Nove and his 1516 Carta Marina. No improved, acquirable map of this part of the world appeared until Münster's 1540 map of the Americas.

TerraNova-fries-1522

$13,500.00

Residential Complex for H.H. Sheikh Saeed bin Zayed.

Stately Residence for a Leading Sheikh.



40 x 29 inches

1996 (undated)

This is a rare and possibly unique c. 1996 set of five diazotype or whiteprint sheets detailing plans for the Abu Dhabi residence of Saeed bin Zayed Al Nahyan (1965 - 2023), the son of Zayed bin Sultan Al Nahyan (1918 - 2004), the dynamic ruler of Abu Dhabi and first president of the United Arab Emirates. Saeed bin Zayed was a respected businessman and statesman in his own right, serving as a member of the Abu Dhabi Executive Council and a Representative of the Ruler of Abu Dhabi in meetings with other Emirati and regional leaders.

ZayedResidence-abudhabi-1996

$10,000.00

Algemene Kaart van Nederlandsch Oostindie...

Greatest 19th century map of the East Indies.



69 x 108 inches

1842 (dated)

This expansive 1842 8-sheet map of the East Indies, compiled by Gijsbert Franco von Derfelden van Hinderstein, is the largest and most important map of the East Indies produced in the mid-19th century. Compiled from 1820 to 1840, it is the first map to depict the administrative divisions of the Dutch East Indies as the islands progressively came under Dutch administration. The current example is handsomely housed in 9 gilt-stamped leather slipcases.

EastIndies-derfelden-1842

$9,500.00

Carte du Theatre de la Guerre entre les Anglais et ...

Foundational cartographic document of Saratoga, the Franco-American alliance, and the transformation of the American Revolution into a global war.



30 x 20.5 inches

1777 (dated)

This is the rare first edition of Louis Brion de la Tour's significant 1777 map of the northern theater of the American Revolutionary War. Published in Paris in the immediate aftermath of the American victory at Saratoga and the surrender of General John Burgoyne's army, it is the first published illustration of the Battle of Saratoga to appear in France. The map brought French audiences cartographic news of the victory that transformed the course of the Revolution, helping convince France that the American cause was viable and setting the stage for the Franco-American alliance of 1778. As such, it captures a pivotal moment when an American colonial rebellion was becoming an international war.

TheatredelaGuerre-briondelatour-1777-2

$6,500.00

Carte Du Mexique et des Pays Limitrophes Situes Au ...

'An essential element in any serious southwest collection' - Streeter.



17 x 28.75 inches

1811 (dated)

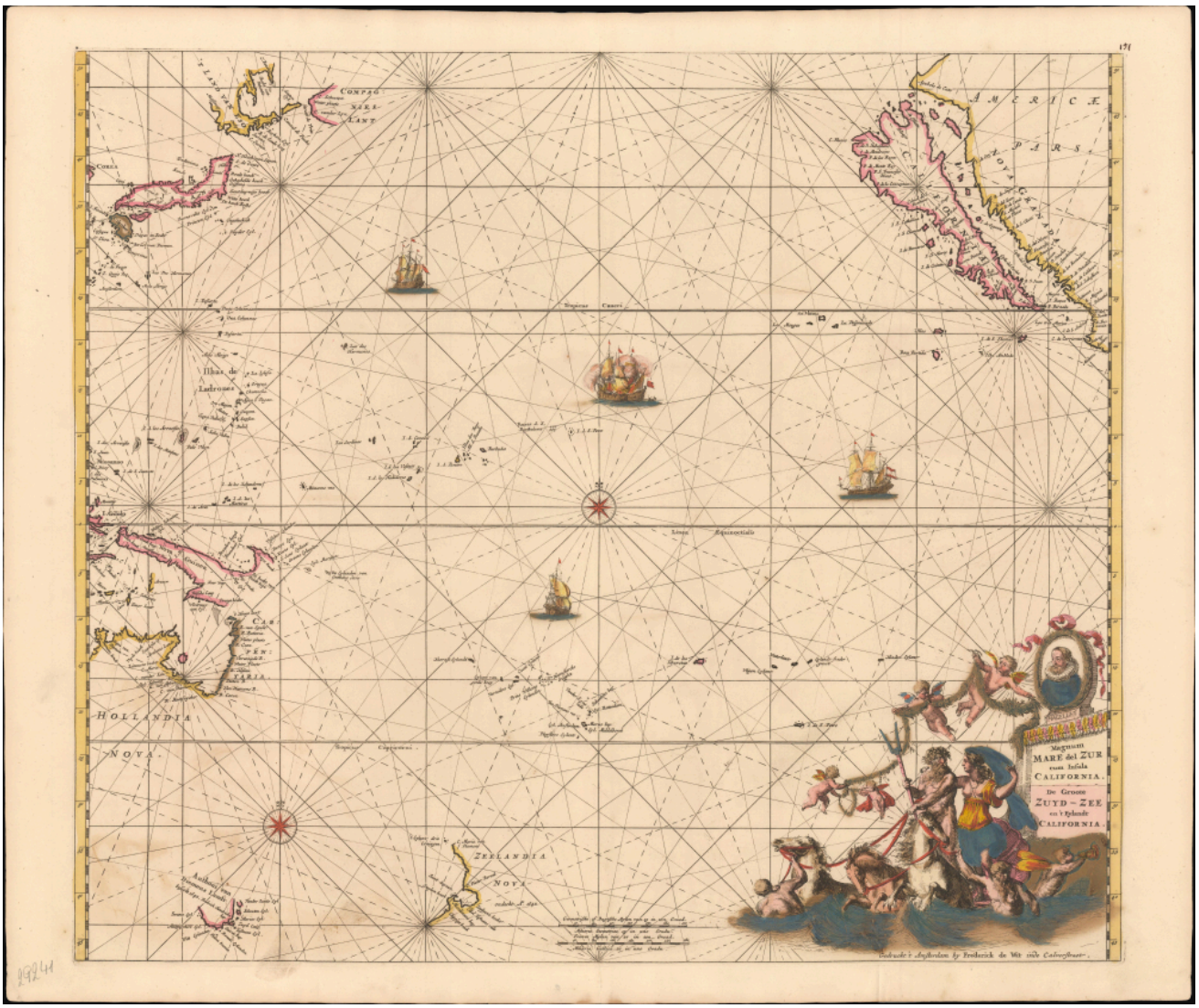
A seminal 1811 map of Mexico and the American West by Alexander von Humboldt. Humboldt, who was considered the 'world's greatest living man' during his lifetime, composed this map during his 1803 sojourn in Mexico. Though sometimes overshadowed by Humboldt's more regional Carte Générale du Royaume de la Nouvelle Espagne, published in the same volume, this map is a cartographic achievement that Wheat noted as 'An Important Map.' Streeter considered this map an essential element in any Southwest-focused collection.

Mexique-humboldt-1811-2

$4,500.00

Magnum Mare del Zur cum Insula California. / De Groote ...

California as an Island. One of the earliest obtainable sea charts of the Pacific.



19.5 x 22 inches

1675 (undated)

This is a first-state example of Frederik de Wit's circa 1675 nautical chart of the Pacific Ocean in rich old color. Published in his Orbis Maritimus ofte Zee Atlas, it is among the earliest obtainable Dutch sea charts of the Pacific. It includes Insular California and incorporates Abel Tasman's discoveries in Australia and New Zealand. Discoveries of Dutch explorers are here reconciled with geographical information inherited from Spanish voyaging - including the theorized Spanish discovery of Hawaii - placing surveyed coastlines alongside conjectural lands and misplaced islands.

MardelZur-dewit-1675

$3,500.00

Engel's 1765 Map of an American West Shaped by Indigenous Knowledge, Exploration, and Myth.



20 x 30 inches

1764 (undated)

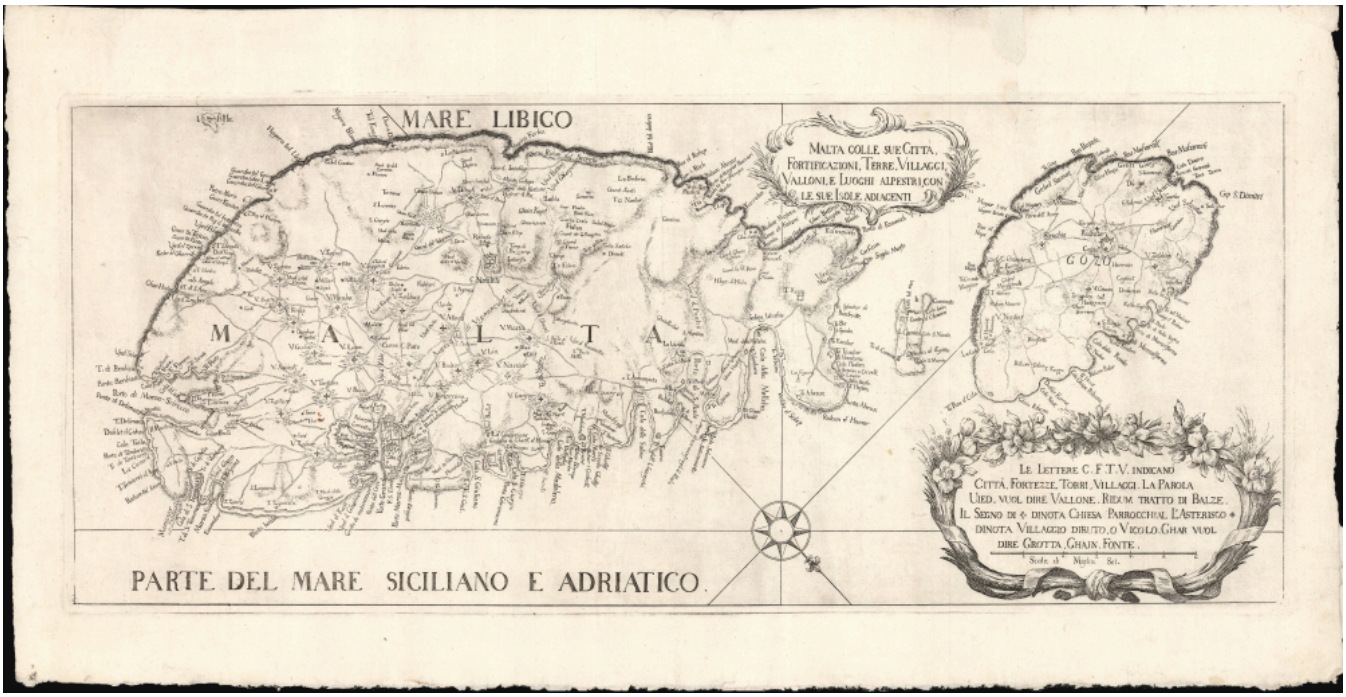
This scarce, influential, and often misunderstood map of North America was published in 1765 by Samuel Engel. Engel composed this map to address and reconcile conflicting speculations regarding the American West and North Pacific - specifically the Buache-Delisle-Müller-Bering controversy. He compiled it from primary-source material, ranging from Lahonton's fictional expedition to the factual account of the American Indian voyager Moncacht-Apé. The latter led to Engel's mapping of the Columbia River - the first such map to do so based on actual observation. Although obscure today, Engel's work was well received when published, providing source material for some of the most significant maps of the latter 18th century.

NorthAmerica-engel-1764-2

$3,500.00

Malta colle sue Citta, Fortificazioni, Terre, Villaggi, ...

Misunderstood map central to the establishment of Maltese national identity.



16 x 31 inches

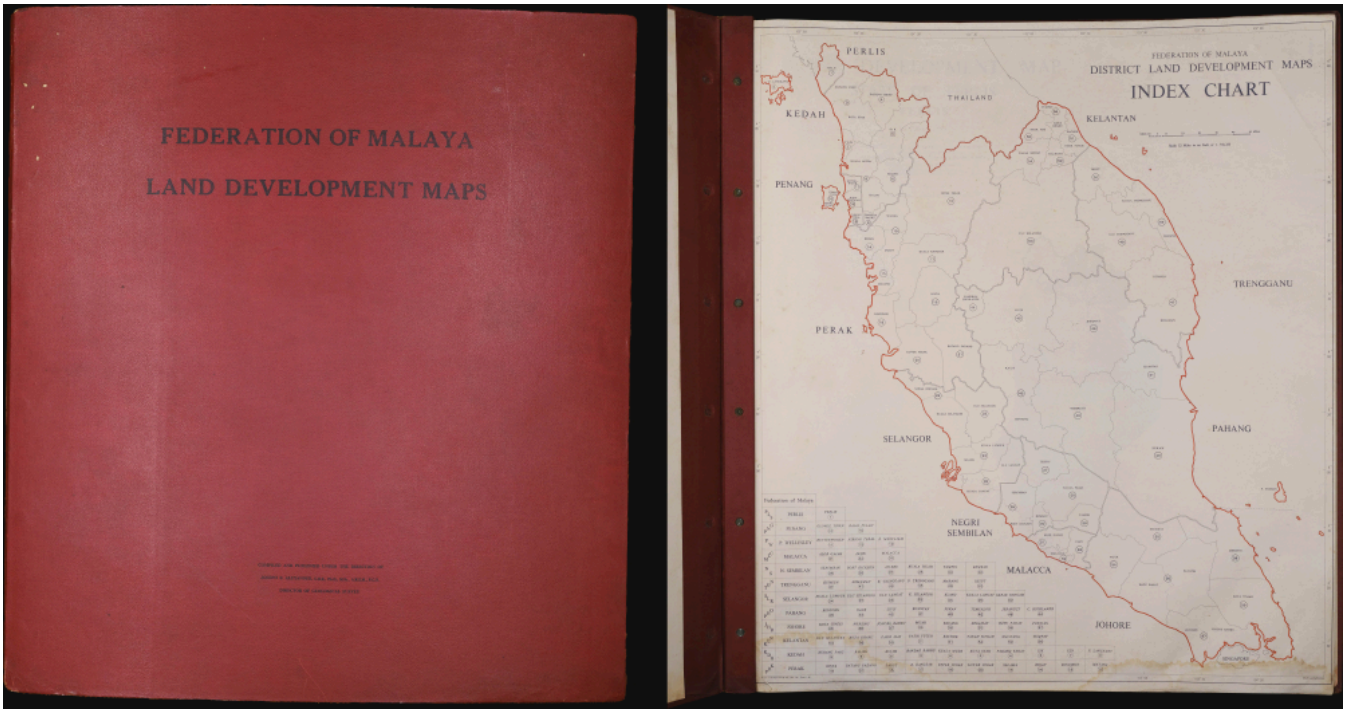
1772 (undated)

This is a seminal and long-misunderstood separate-issue, possibly proof, example of Giovanni Antonio Ciantar's 1772 map of Malta and Gozo. Engraved for Giovanni Antonio Ciantar's Malta Illustrata, this map is significant in the development of Maltese historical identity. It presents the Maltese archipelago as a homeland with an ancient history both separate from and intertwined with the Knights of St. John. Its publication and printing in Malta also coincide with the late 18th-century revival of Maltese printing and scholarship.

Malta-ciantar-1772

$3,500.00

Mining and Land Use in the Postcolonial Age.



34 x 31 inches

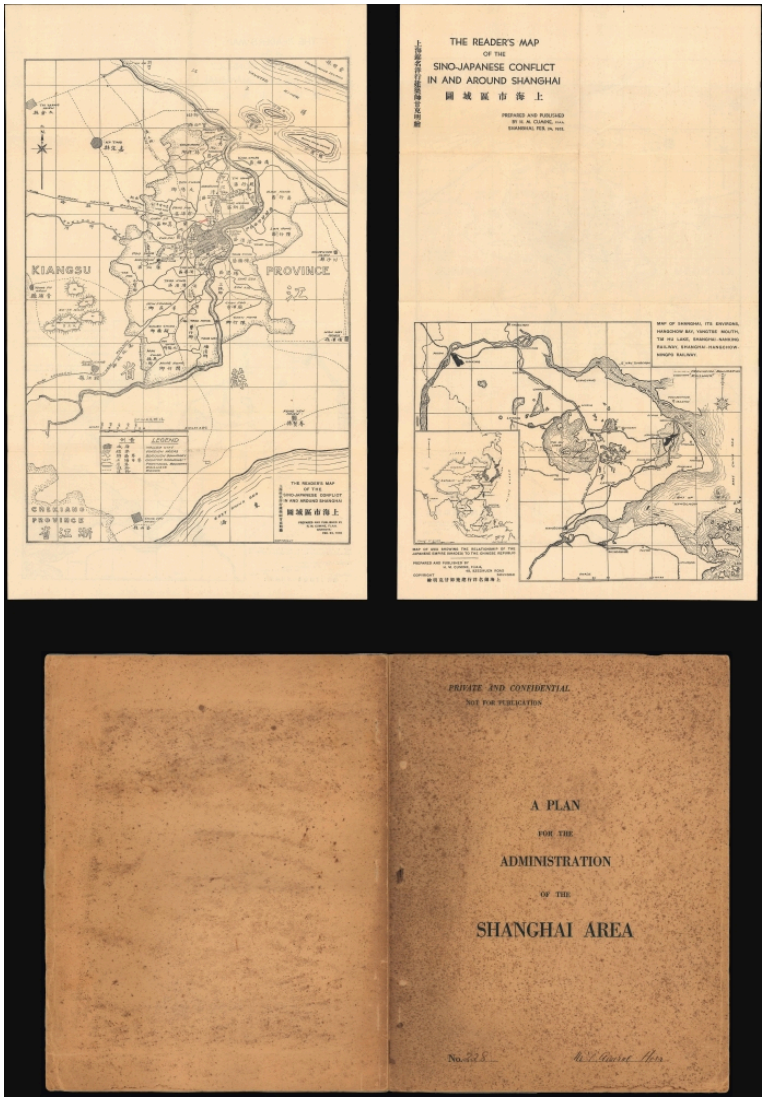
1961 (dated)

This is a rare 1961 atlas of land development (i.e., land use) in the newly independent Federation of Malaya, prepared by the Federation's Geological Survey Department under the leadership of Joseph B. Alexander. Focusing on mining and mineral exploitation, the 56 maps provide a remarkably comprehensive overview of the Federation's constituent parts in the years just after independence. Both the content and production (overseen by a British geologist) reflect the distinctive, gradual transition away from colonialism on the Malay Peninsula.

MalayaLandDevAtlas-alexander-1961

$3,200.00

Pursuing Peace in Shanghai.



20.75 x 14 inches

1932 (dated)

A unique discovery! This 1932 map of Shanghai was produced by Henry Monsel Cumine, a 'Eurasian' (biracial) architect and real estate developer in the city. It was created during the 1932 Sino-Japanese conflict over Shanghai, also known as 'the Shanghai Incident,' which destroyed a portion of the city and was a prelude to even worse destruction five years later in the Second Sino-Japanese War. The map is accompanied by a 'private and confidential' plan, addressed to a French admiral who commanded French forces in Shanghai, to end the conflict and establish the city as a demilitarized zone.

ShanghaiPlan-cuminehm-1932

$2,900.00

Japoniae Nova Descriptio.

Insular Korea, in Striking Original Color.



13.5 x 18 inches

1636 (undated)

This is a scarce, original-color c. 1636 example of Jan Jansson's map of Japan and Korea. The map follows the model of Luís Teixeira, the 16th-century court cartographer to the King of Spain. It is notable as an early European attempt to use the best available sources (mostly Jesuit) to map Japan and Korea, while tentatively maintaining the latter as an island.

JapanKorea-jansson-1636

$2,500.00

Antiquae Urbis Romae Imago Accuratiss: ex Vetustis ...

Bird's-eye reconstruction of ancient Rome in all its imperial glory.



21 x 25 inches

1704 (undated)

This is a 1704 François Halma bird's-eye view of ancient Rome, based on Pirro Ligorio's influential 1561 reconstruction. Ligorio restores Rome to its ancient glory, with its temples, baths, theaters, circuses, and imperial monuments rising above a dense fabric of streets and houses. Side panels identify 269 monuments and sites, giving the pictorial detail an antiquarian framework. Published in connection with Johann Georg Graevius' Thesaurus Antiquitatum Romanarum, the view carried a Renaissance conception of Rome into the scholarly publishing world of the early 18th century.

RomeAncient-halma-1704

$1,500.00

Nouva Pianta Iconografica dell'Inclita Citta di Venezia.

Venice after the Fall of the Republic.



21 x 30 inches

1798 (dated)

This is a scarce 1798 separate-issue city plan or map of Venice, Italy, prepared and published by Teodoro Viero. It depicts the city during a difficult period, when it fell under foreign occupation and saw the dissolution of the centuries-old republic. Nevertheless, the city's layout, its close connection with the water, and its grand churches and piazzas remained distinctive and a source of strong local identity.

Venezia-teodoroviero-1798

$1,500.00

Das kunigreich Engellandt mit dem anstossenden Reich ...

Earliest Accurate England.



10.25 x 13.5 inches

1540 (undated)

This is Sebastian Münster's scarce woodcut map of England and Scotland and the northern parts of the European world, first added to his Geographia in 1540. It is the first detailed, modern printed map of England. 'This is a new map, substantially in advance of any others printed hitherto'. (Shirley). Although it was later included in his Cosmographia in 1544, it appeared in only 9 of the 34 editions, making it one of Münster's scarcest maps.

Anglia-munster-1540

$1,500.00

新橋鐵道蒸汽車之圖 / 東京銀座煉瓦石繁榮之圖 [View of the Prosperity of ...

Japan's First Railway Line.



14 x 27.75 inches

1873 (dated)

This 1873 ukiyo-e triptych by Kunisada III depicts the Tokyo-Yokohama steam train and Shimbashi Station, Japan's first modern railway and Tokyo's first train station, respectively. The view also presents the neighborhood of Ginza, rebuilt following a fire the previous year as a showpiece of modernization by the Meiji government. As a whole, this triptych is among the best such works to neatly encapsulate the rapid changes underway in the early Meiji period.

GinzaTrain-kunisadaiii-1873

$1,000.00

Intendencia Nacional del Choco. Plano general de la ...

A Planned Interoceanic Route in Colombia's Remote Northwest.



42.25 x 20 inches

1924 (undated)

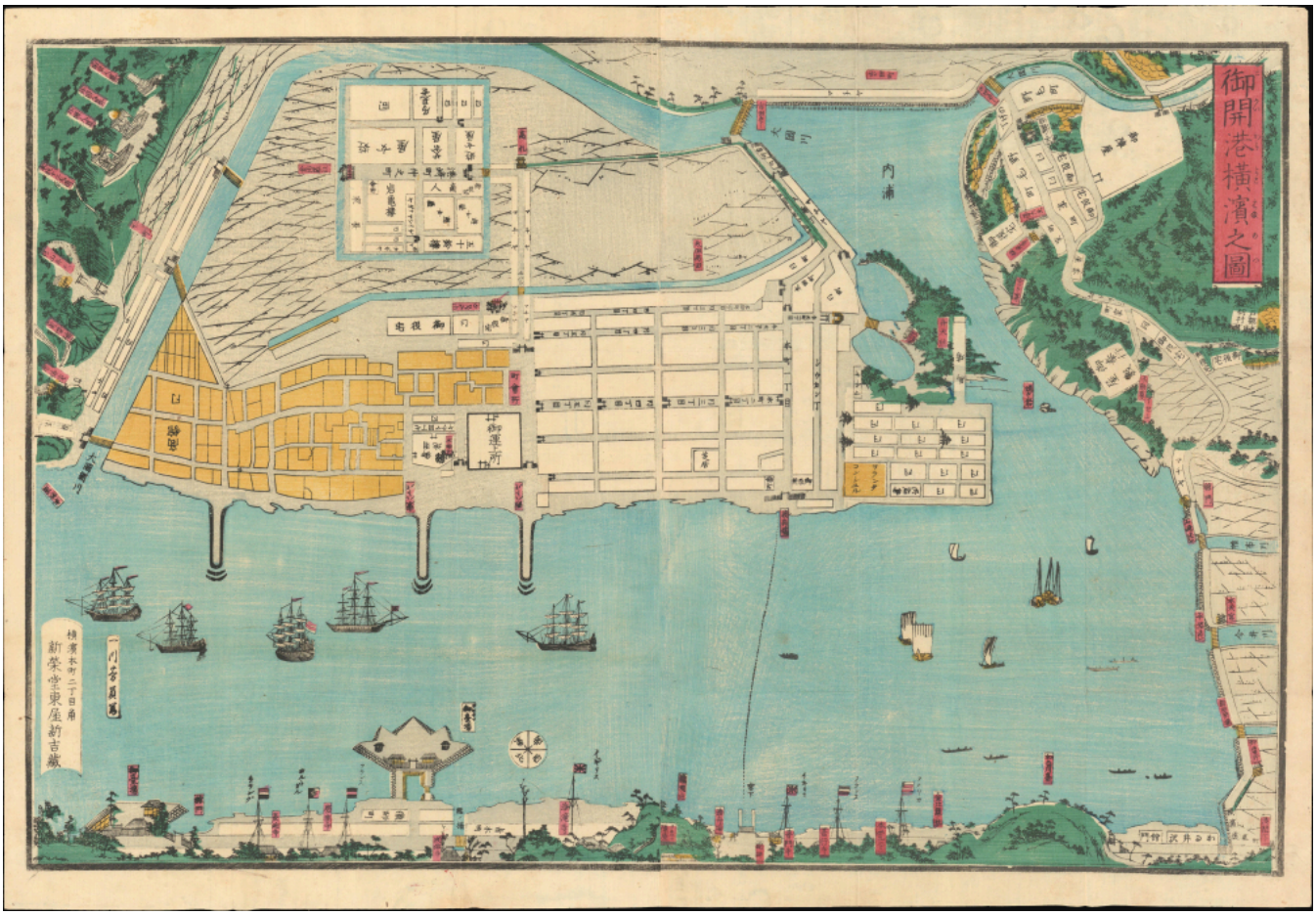
This is a c. 1924 map of the Chocó intendencia (now a departamento) in northwest Colombia, prepared by the territory's Anglo-Colombian engineer, Roberto J. White. The map presents an ambitious scheme White laid out to connect north- and south-running rivers in Chocó that empty into the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans, respectively, creating an interoceanic route capable of handling heavy cargo. This was a particularly important goal at the time as Chocó became one of the main international sources of platinum in the early 20th century and experienced a mining boom.

ChocoColombia-white-1924

$950.00

御開港横濱之圖 / [Map of the Open Port of Yokohama].

Early Expansion of Treaty Port Yokohama.



18.25 x 26.5 inches

1862 (undated)

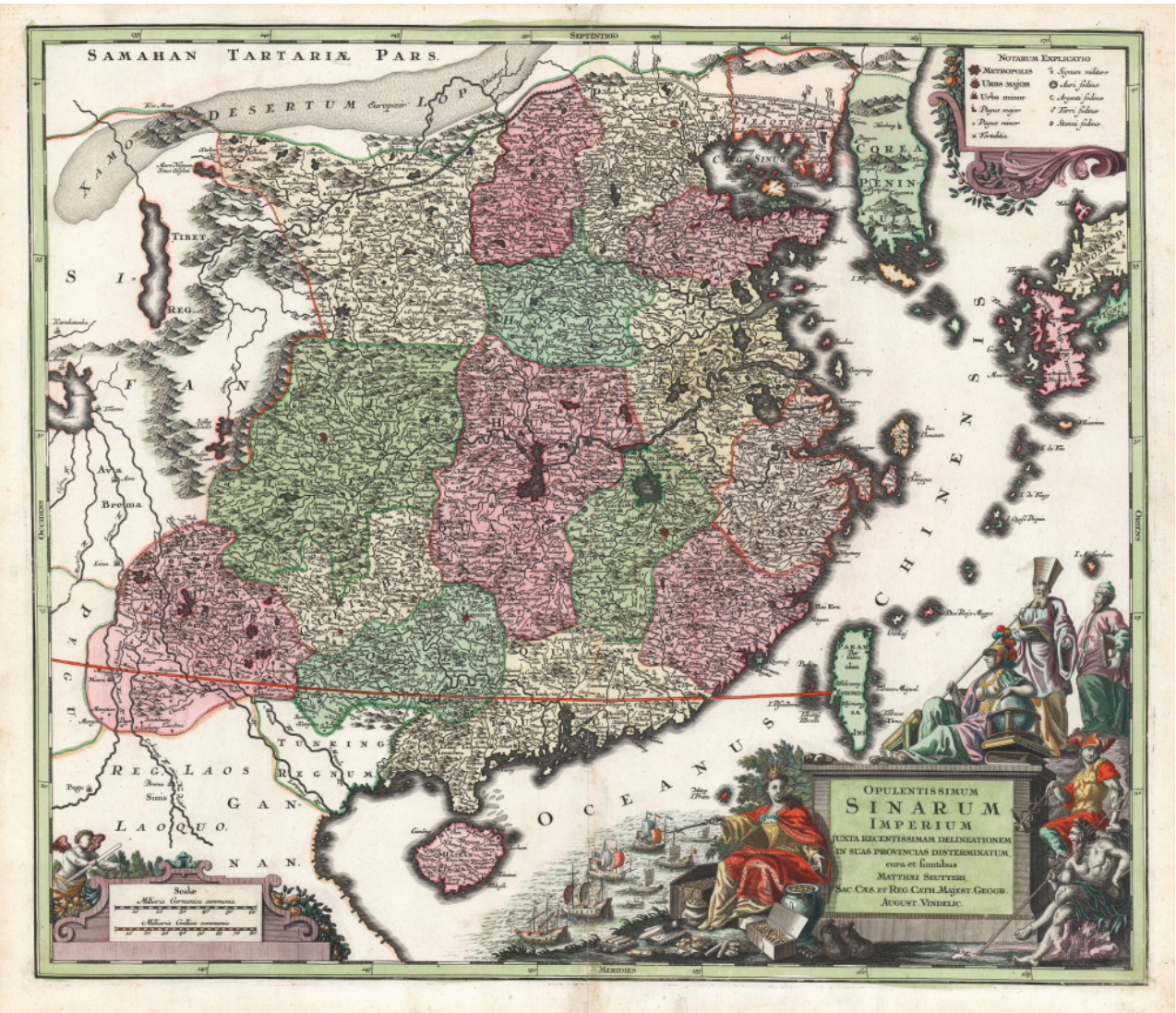
This is a c. 1862 ukiyo-e city map or plan of Yokohama, Japan, by Ichikawa Yoshikazu. It depicts the city several years after it opened as a treaty port in 1859, when it was rapidly developing into Japan's main hub of trade and cultural exchange with foreign powers. From a fishing village a few years before, the city had become an incubator for the hybrid modernity of the Meiji era, complete with a significant foreign population, Western imports like a horseracing track, and a sizable red-light district meant to service (and confine) the sexual desires of foreigners.

Yokohama-yoshikazu-1862

$950.00

Opulentissimum Sinarum imperium juxta recentissimam ...

Riches of the Orient.



19.5 x 22.5 inches

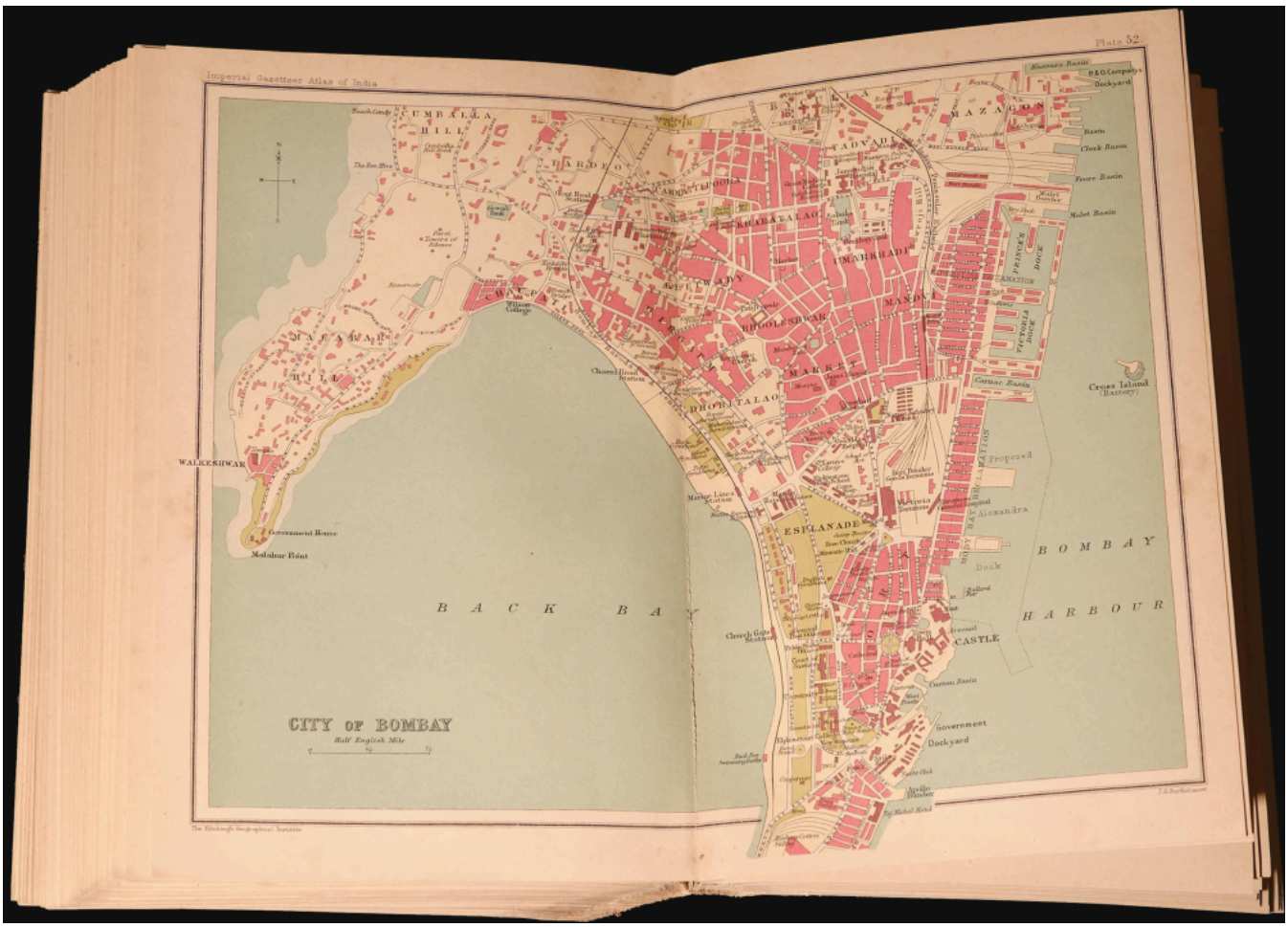
1736 (undated)

This is a c. 1736 Matthäus Seutter map of China and Korea presenting the Chinese empire as a source of wealth, geographical knowledge, and maritime commerce. The composition places China's densely mapped interior beside an allegorical celebration of European engagement with the East.

China-seutter-1736

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Comprehensive atlas of India and surrounding countries.



8.5 x 10 inches

1909 (dated)

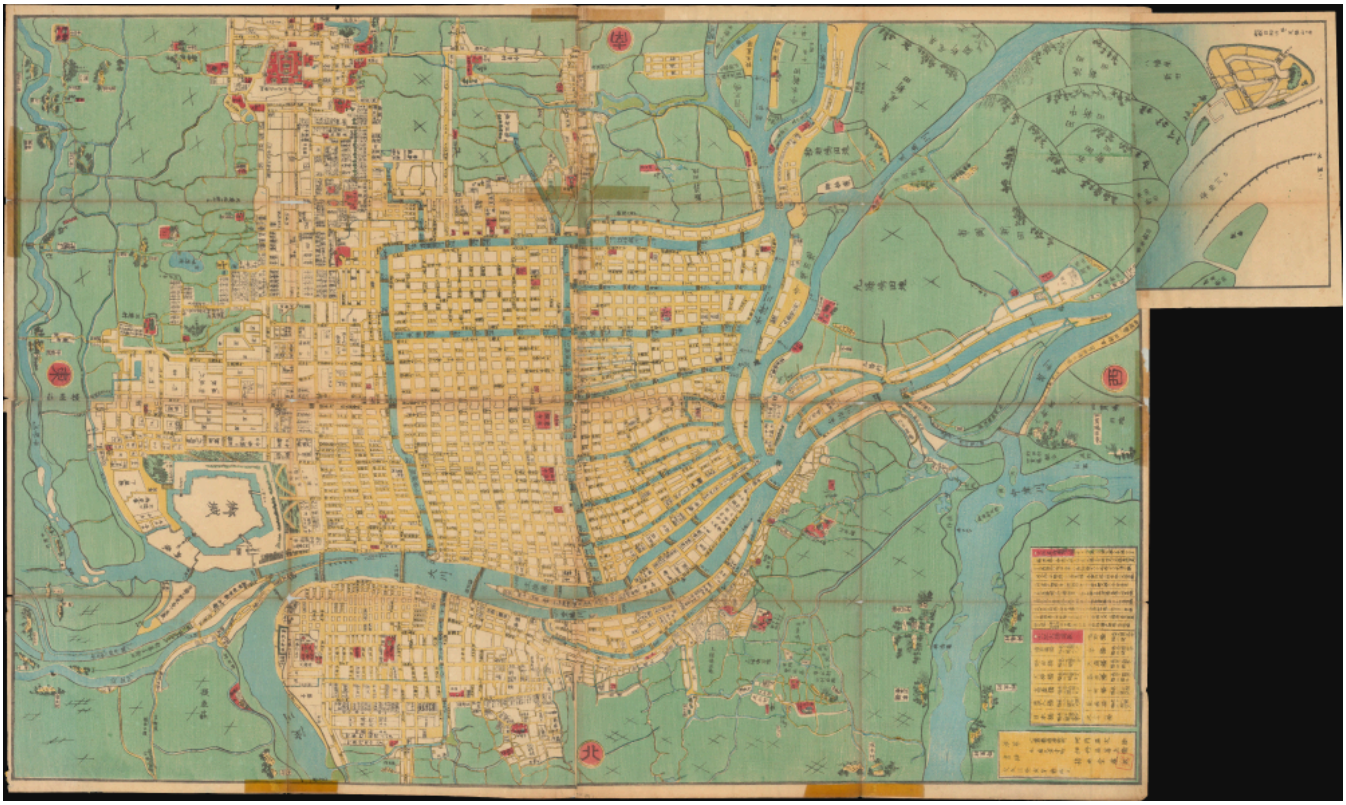
An example of the three-volume Bombay Presidency Series of the Imperial Gazetteer of India, detailing the geography of Bombay, Sindh, and other parts of the Subcontinent, published in 1909 by the Superintendent of Government Printing in Calcutta. This collection includes the scarce atlas volume covering regions and cities from the Northwest Frontier Provinces to Burma.

BombayPresidency-imperialgazetteer-1909

$850.00

改正增補國寶大阪全圖 / [Revised and Supplemented Complete Map ...

Osaka on the Eve of the Meiji Restoration.



27.25 x 39 inches

1863 (dated)

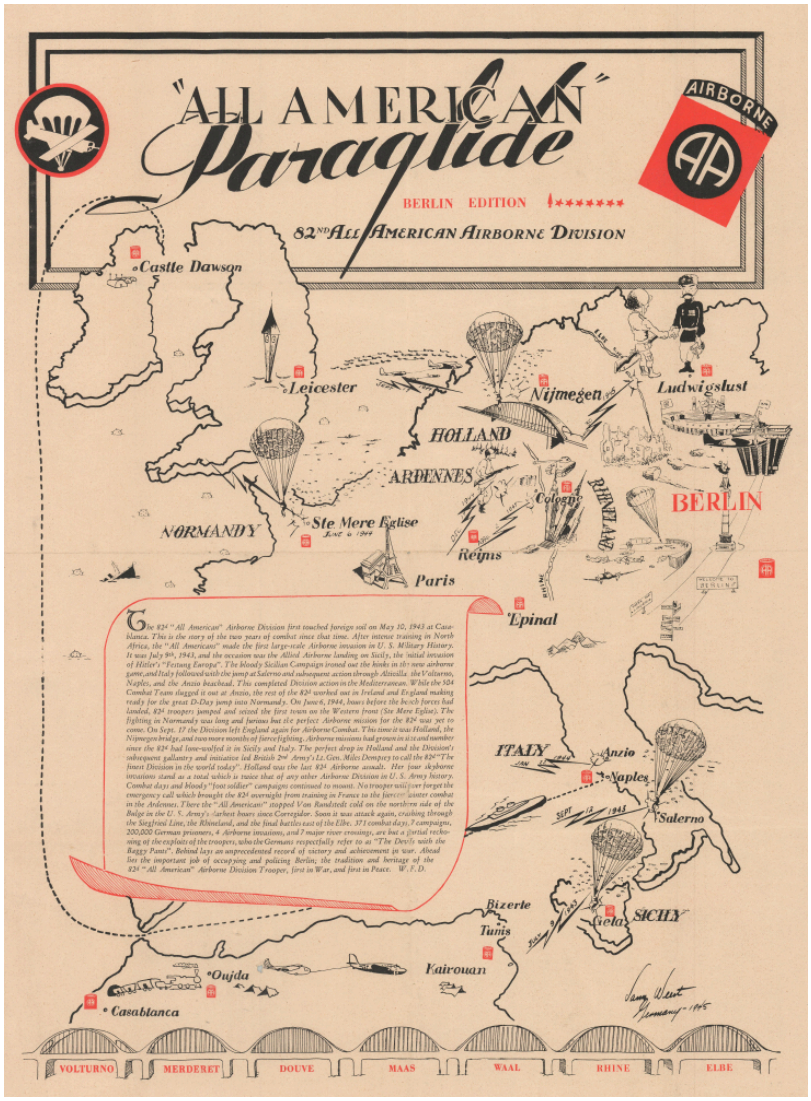
This is an 1863 large-format woodblock city plan or map of Osaka, Japan, prepared by Kawachiya Tasuke and Itamiya Zenbē. It offers a remarkably detailed overview of the city in the late Tokugawa period, when it was one of Japan's largest and wealthiest cities, second only to Edo (later Tokyo). In this era, Osaka remained a major center of commerce and finance despite heavy damage from an uprising in the 1830s.<

Osaka-kawachiyaitamiya-1863

$800.00

'All American' Paraglide Berlin Edition.

82nd Airborne Division and the Occupation of Berlin.



23.5 x 17.5 inches

1945 (dated)

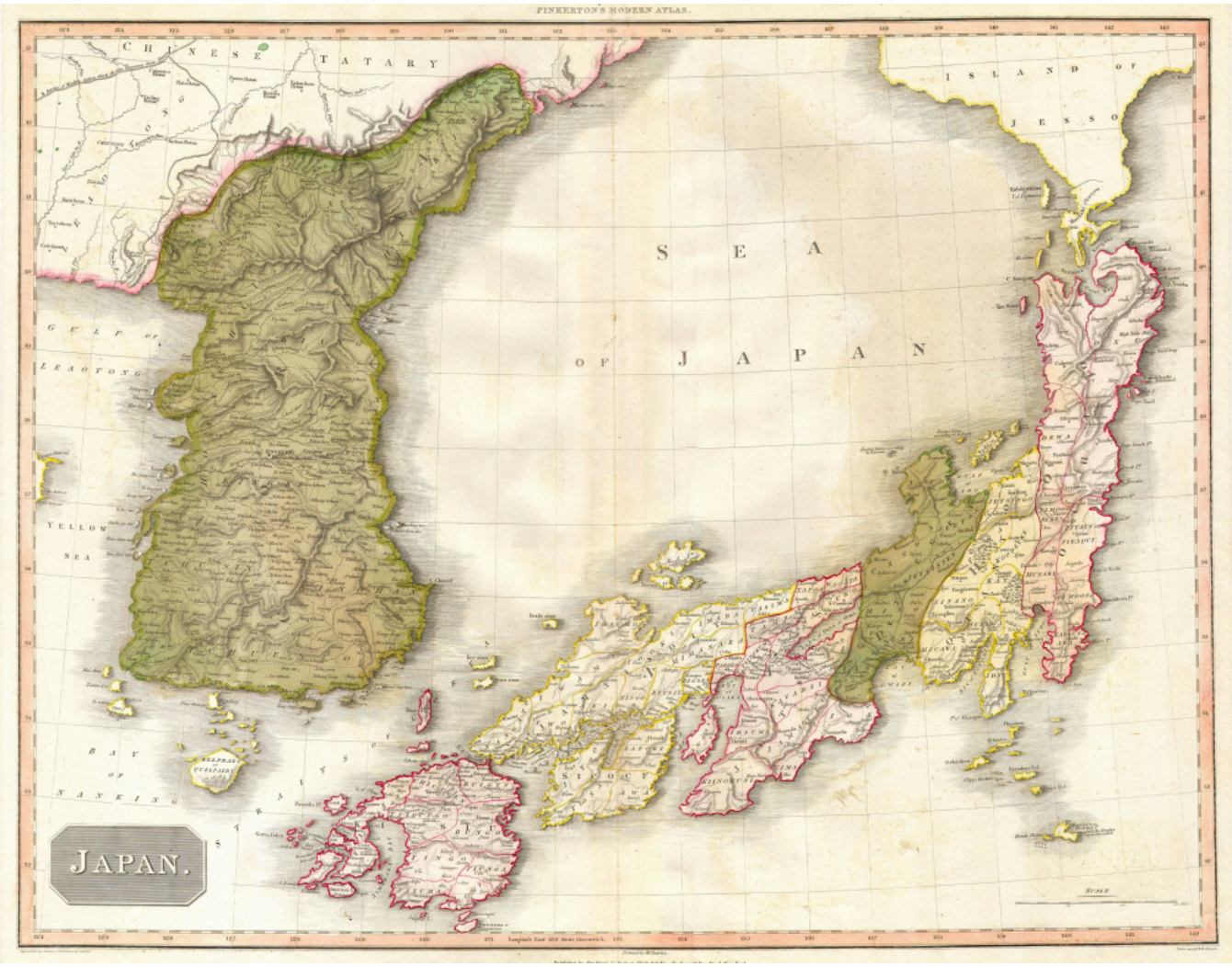
This is a World War II 1945 82nd Airborne Division pictorial map of Europe. The map highlights the 82nd's combat experience, with a focus on Berlin and the Division's role in the post-war occupation.

AllAmerParaglideBerlinEd-82nd-1945-2

$650.00

Japan.

Revealing portrait of European geographical uncertainty in East Asia.



21 x 28 inches

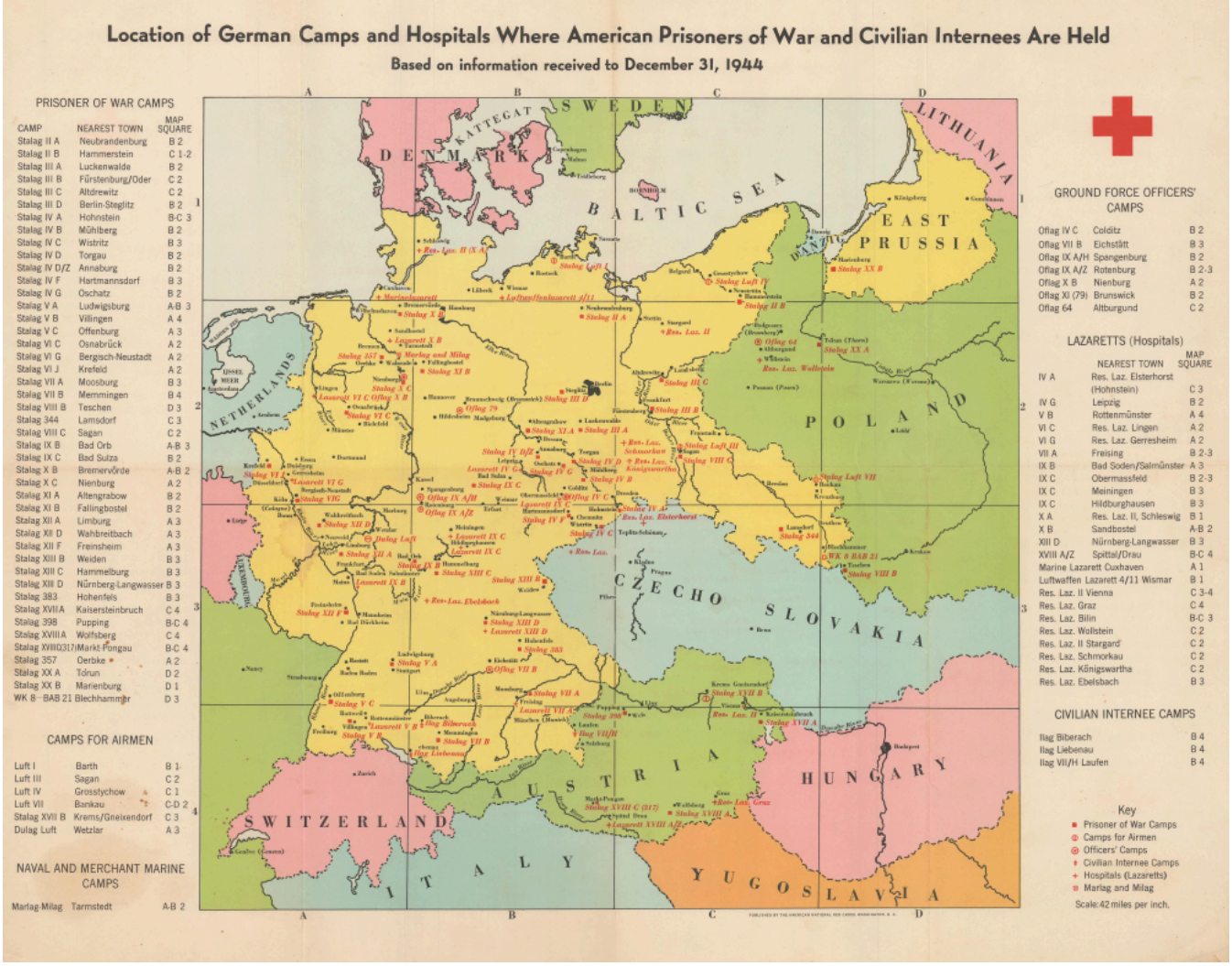
1818 (undated)

This is the 1818 American edition of John Pinkerton's map of Japan and Korea, published in Philadelphia by Thomas Dobson for A Modern Atlas. The map captures a transitional moment in the cartography of East Asia, combining established 18th-century geographical conventions with new information derived from contemporary Pacific exploration. Faced with conflicting reports from different navigators and cartographers, Pinkerton sometimes maps competing interpretations of the same geographical feature, effectively allowing the reader to judge between rival authorities. Elsewhere, the map incorporates significant advances over earlier European representations, particularly in its treatment of Jeju Island (Quelpaert), while retaining much of the established D'Anville geography of Korea and Japan.

JapanKorea-pinkerton-1818

$600.00

WWII German POW camps holding Americans.



22.25 x 27 inches

1945 (undated)

This is a poignant 1945 American National Red Cross map locating German camps holding American prisoners of war and civilian internees during the final year of World War II. Camps marked in red give geographical form to the wartime captivity of airmen, soldiers, sailors, merchant mariners, and civilians. Read alongside the Red Cross's relief efforts, the map connects the distant places of their confinement with the families awaiting news and the vast undertaking of sending food and essential supplies to prisoners overseas.

GermanCamps-redcross-1945-3

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Oahu. / Oahu Souvenir Map Hawaii.

Postwar Tourist Boom in Oahu.



22 x 36 inches

1970 (undated)

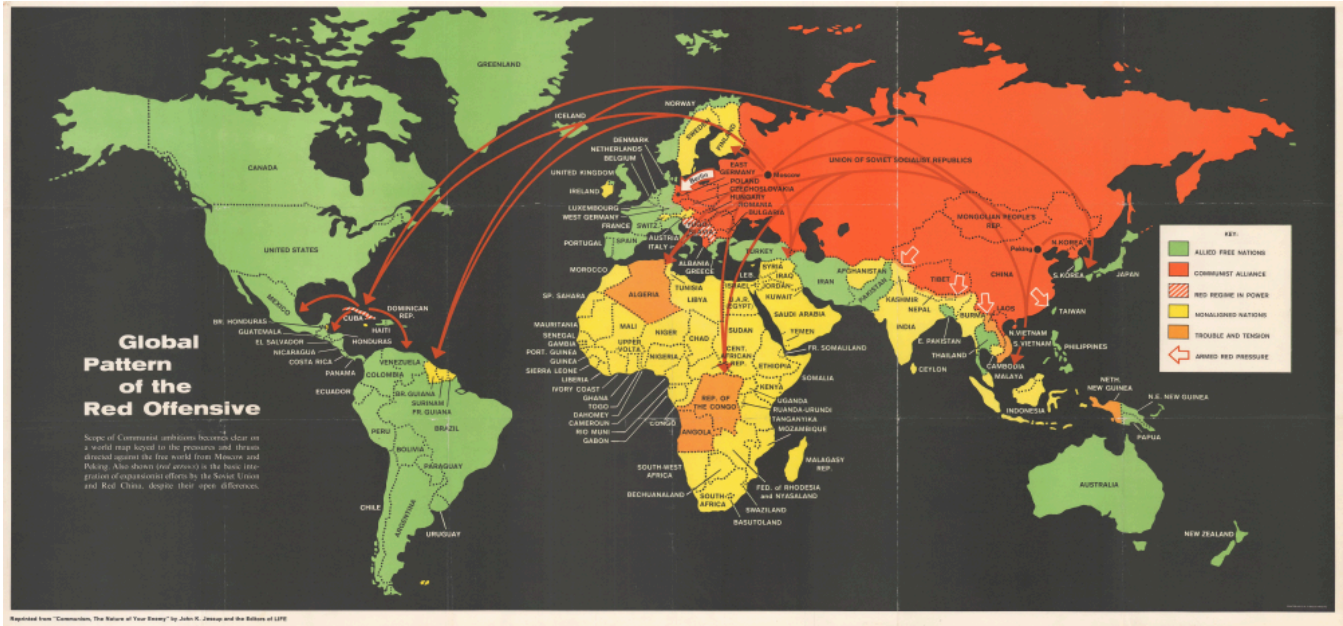
This is a c. 1970 pictorial promotional map of Oahu prepared by Freya Tanz. It was produced at a time when tourism from the U.S. mainland was surging, reorienting Oahu's economy. This shift brought clear economic benefits, but it also raised questions about the commodification of culture and sustainability that remain points of contention on Oahu today.

OahuHawaii-freyatanz-1970

$350.00

Pattern of the Red Offensive.

The Red Scare.



24.5 x 52.75 inches

1962 (dated)

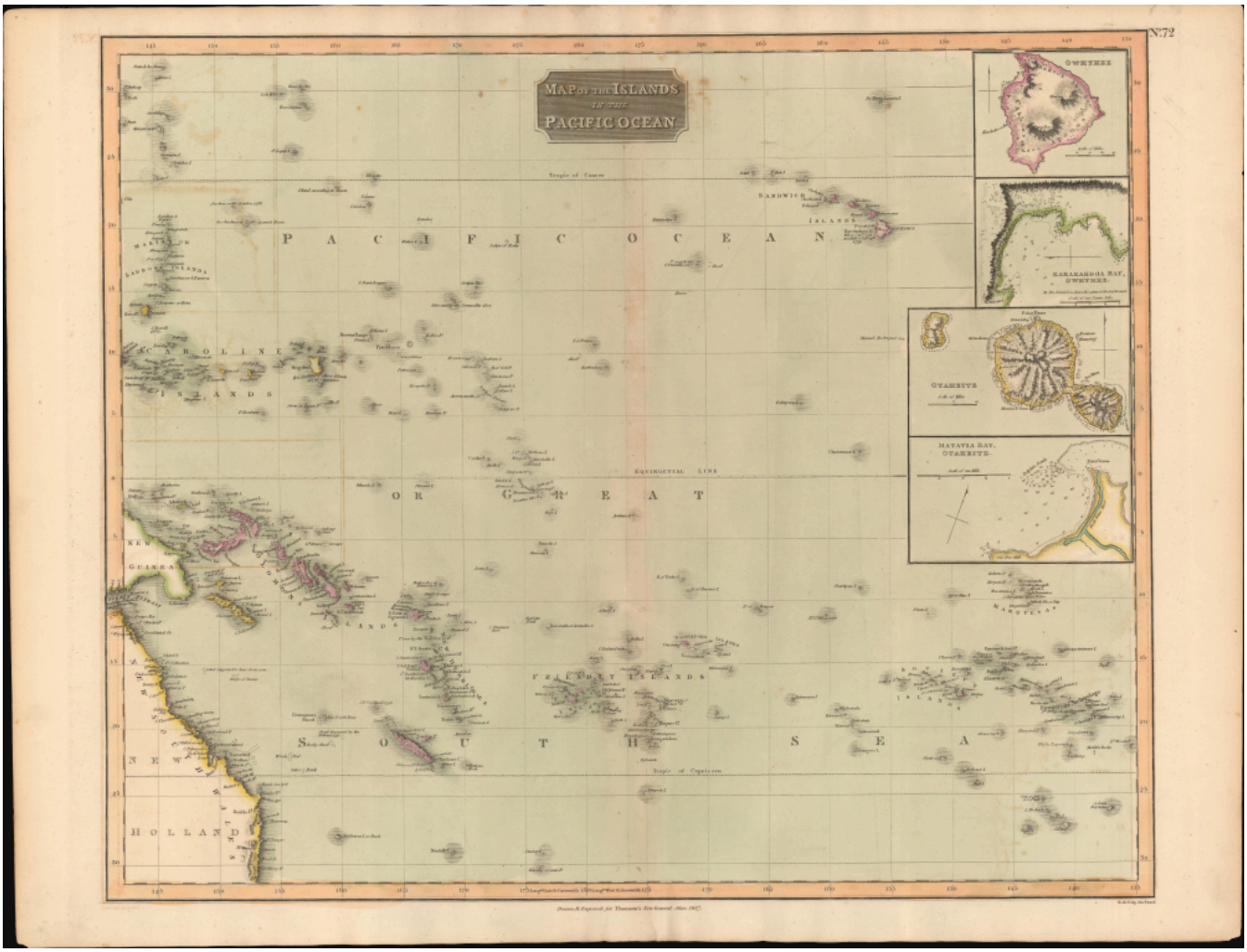
This 1962 Tony Sodaro map of the world strikingly illustrates the Cold War (1947 - 1991) dichotomy between the 'Allied Free Nations' and the 'Communist Alliance'. The map was published just months before the Cuban Missile Crisis. It captures rising global tensions between the West and the Soviet Union and China, and warns Western readers of the Communists' expansionist goals.

GlobalRedOffensive-jessuplife-1962

$300.00

Map of the Islands in the Pacific Ocean.

Highlighting Cook's enduring significance.



21 x 26 inches

1817 (dated)

This is John Thomson's 1817 map of the Pacific islands, highlighting the continuing importance of Cook's voyages nearly four decades after his death. Its four insets highlight Hawaii and Tahiti, pairing each island with the harbor most closely associated with Cook: Kealakekua Bay, where he was killed, and Matavai Bay, where he observed the transit of Venus. Their prominent treatment nearly four decades after Cook's death underscores the enduring influence of his discoveries on the European conception of the Pacific.

Pacific-thomson-1817

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