



17th century map of the British Isles on two sheets

JAILLOT, Alexis-Hubert.

Les Isles Britanniques; qui Contiennent les Royaumes d'Angleterre, Escosse, et Irlande

Paris, 1692. Original colour. Two sheets conjoined, total 575 x 890mm.

£1,200

Early edition of Sanson's map of the British Isles, redrawn on a larger scale by Jaillot at the request of Sanson's heirs, first published in the 'Atlas Nouveau' from 1674. During the course of this map's life Jaillot had three pairs of plates engraved, with only minor changes. This is the second state of the second pair, with the lines of longitude and latitude that were added in the first year of issue. The third state has the date 1696. A very decorative map, with fine baroque title and scale cartouches and an inset of the Orkneys and Shetland Isles.

SHIRLEY: British Isles 1650-1750, Jaillot 1, 'one of the most attractive maps of the late 17th century'.

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