



Sea chart of Falmouth from the first English sea-atlas

COLLINS, Greenville.

Falmouth. To S.r Peter Kiligrew, Baronet, This Map is Dedicated and presented by Cap.t Greenville Collins. Hyd: to ye King.

London: c.1693. Coloured. 460 x 575mm.

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A sea chart of the Carrick Roads with Falmouth and Penryn, with the River Fal upstream to Truro. The two Insets are charts of Helford Sound and coastal profiles of the entrance in Falmouth using Pendennis Castle as a focus. The chart was published in Collins' 'Great Britain's Coasting Pilot, being a New Survey of the Sea Coast', the first English sea-atlas based on personal survey. Undertaken on the orders of Charles II, Collins started his survey in 1681, a task that lasted seven years. The complete atlas was finally completed in 1693, and was so popular that editions were released, with only occasional revisions, until 1792. The quality of the impression suggests this is an early example.

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