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An 18th century double-hemisphere world map

HEYDT. Johann Wolfgang.
Welt Charten, worauf die Reise nach Indien, und wider zuruck nach Europa, mit Puncten angewiesen nebst denen Konigreichen, vornehmsten Insuln, Gewassern, und Landern, so der er Benahmungen, das mehreste in Deutschen zu lessen ist

Wilhermsdorf: J.C. Tetschner, 1744. Coloured. 235 x 270mm.

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A German double-hemisphere map of the world, with a North Pole projection in the upper cusp. A plate from the 'Allerneuster geographisch- und topographischer Schau-Platz von Africa und Ost-Indien'. From Johann Wolfgang Heydt's 'Allerneuster geographisch- und topographischer Schau-Platz von Africa und Ost-Indien'. Heydt was a German who joined the VOC (Dutch East India Company) in 1733, leaving for the East that year. He spent over two years in Sri Lanka before moving to Batavia. However he was allowed to resign for health reasons in 1740, after which he returned to Germany. He produced this book four years later, engraving his sketches himself.

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