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17th century miniature map of Africa

MALLET, Alain Manesson. Afrique Moderne.

Paris, 1683. Coloured. 140 x 105mm, set in text.

£125

An unusual miniature map of Africa, only naming a few physical features, for example the Nile and Niger rivers, the Mountains of the Moon and the Sahara Desert. It was published in the 'Description de l'Univers', a five-volume work by Mallet (1630-1706), a military engineer, cartographer and mathematician in the service of the French King, Louis XIV.

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