



A superbly decorated 18th century double-hemisphere world map.

SEUTTER, Matthäus.
 Diversi Globi Terr-Aquei...

Augsburg, c.1750. Original colour with additions. 500 x 575mm.

£2,750

A fine double-hemisphere map, with eight further hemispheres showing the Earth from different angles, surrounded by the allegorical wind-heads. California appears as an island; Ezo is a large adjunct to Japan, with 'Compagnie Land' just to the north; and Australia and New Zealand are partial outlines. Seutter used at least three plates for his world map, with only minor changes to the geography and decoration. This example is the third, with the title cartouche like a tapestry draped over the top wind head and black wind heads in the east (both features of the second plate), and the lines of Zodiac ecliptics reversed in every sphere they are depicted. A new privilege line has been added outside the printed border top right.

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