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An unusual balloon view of Brighton in the 1840s

ARNOUT, Jules.

Brighton. View taken in balloon. 1846. Brighton. Vue prise en ballon. 1846.

London: Gambart, Junin & Co, 1846. Tinted lithograph with added colour. Printed area 335 x 450mm. Artist's blind stamp lower right.

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An uncommon view of Brighton drawn and lithographed by Jules Arnout for his 'Aerial Excursions'. Taken from above the sea, it shows the seafront from Brunswick Town to Sussex Square. Features include the Royal Pavilion, St Peter's Church and, in fields to the north, the London Road Viaduct, built for the new railway and opened only five years before.. In the sky is a hot-air balloon.

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