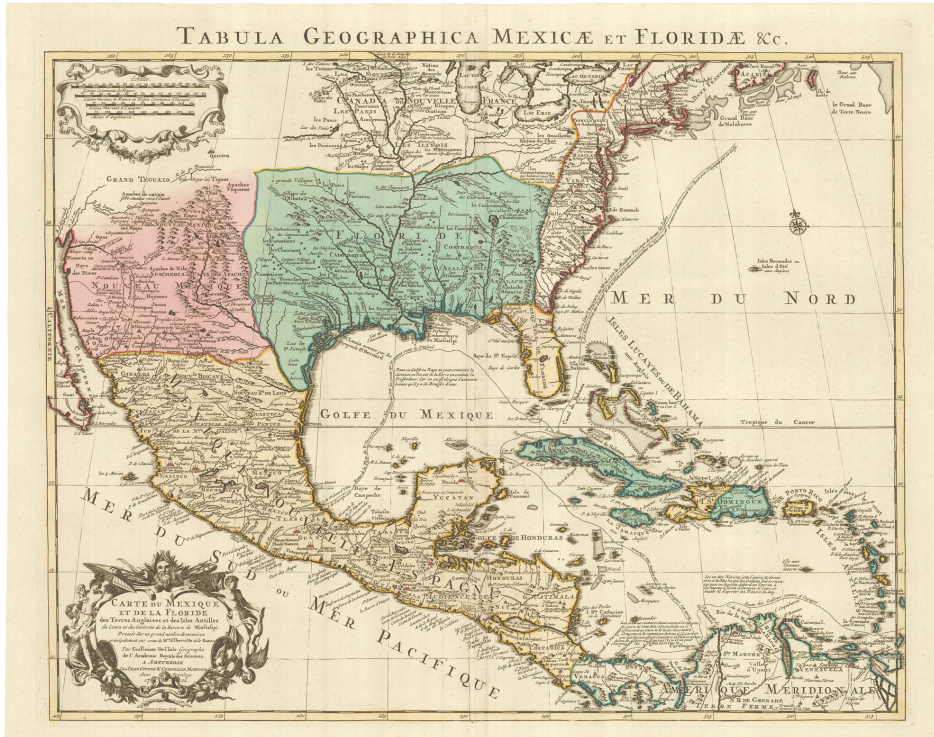




A Dutch edition of the first printed map to accurately plot the Mississippi River

DELISLE, Guillaume.

Carte du Mexique et de la Floride des Terres Angloises et des Isles Antilles, du Cours et des Environs de la Riviere de Mississipi. Dressée Sur un grand nombre de memoires principalement sur ceux de M.rs d'Iberville et le Sueur.

Amsterdam, Jean Covens & Corneille Mortier, 1722. Original colour. 500 x 615mm.

£1,700

An important antique map of North America, based on Guillaume Delisle's landmark map. As geographer to the Royal Academy of Sciences Delisle had early access to the papers of French explorers, including the Jesuits in Canada and Pierre Le Moyne d'Iberville, the founder of Louisiana. This important detail includes the tributaries of the Mississippi and the correct location of the delta (which had been discovered but lost by La Salle), with an abundance of named Indian villages, and even the location of Biloxi ('Fort des Bilocchi'), founded in 1699.

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