



18th century town plan of Maastricht

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Plan du Project de Fortification Sur la Ville de Maastrick et sur la Fortification de Wyck. Fait par Albert de Herbolt Ingenieur.

Augsburg, c.1748. Original wash colour. 500 x 580mm.

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A detailed map of Maastricht, showing the impressive defensive walls of Maastricht and Wyck, with a prospect of the city, and an extensive engraved text and key in French down the sides. It is likely that this old plan was prepared during the 'War of Austrian Succession' (1740-8) when Maastricht was a prime target for the French because of the city's strategic location. It fell to the French in 1748 but was returned according to the Treaty of Aix-la-Chapelle later in the year.

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