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A rare small-format map of Africa

PROBST, Johann Fredrich. Africa.

Augsburg, c.1780. Original colour. 160 x 245mm.

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Scarce small map of Africa based on the cartography of Johann Schreiber. The shape of the southern part of the continent is rather broad with a large inlet in the middle of the Congo, a protruding part of the east coast in the vicinity of Mozambique, and a flat southern tip. The interior is filled with the spurious topographical features typical of the 18th century. At right is a panel of German text describing the major regions. The title cartouche features a tribesman with a bow and a crocodile. Published in Probst's 'Atlas Minor'.

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