



Henry Mouzon's landmark 4-sheet map of the Carolinas

MOUZON, William Henry.

An Accurate Map of North and South Carolina with their Indian Frontiers, Shewing in a distinct manner all the Mountains, Rivers, Swamps, Marshes, Bays, Creeks, Harbours, Sandbanks and Soundings on the Coasts; with The Roads and Indian Paths; as well as The Boundary or Provincial Lines, The Several Townships and other divisions of the Land In Both the Provinces; the whole From Actual Surveys By Henry Mouzon And Others.

London: Robert Sayer and John Bennett, 1775. First Edition. Original colour. Four sheets conjoined, total 1030 x 1405mm.

£17,500

A large and detailed map of the Carolinas, including South Carolina as surveyed by Captain Henry Mouzon (1741-1807). North Carolina is based on the John Collet's 1770 map, 'A Compleat Map of North-Carolina', although many details have been updated. This is the first state, before Fort Sullivan was added to the inset of Charleston Harbour bottom right. A third state was published by Laurie & Whittle in 1794. Published just before the outbreak of the American Revolutionary war in Sayer & Bennett's 'The American Atlas: Or, A Geographical Description Of The Whole Continent Of America', Mouzon's map was indispensable for all the military commanders operating in the region: the examples owned by both George Washington and Sir Henry Clinton are preserved in American institutions.



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