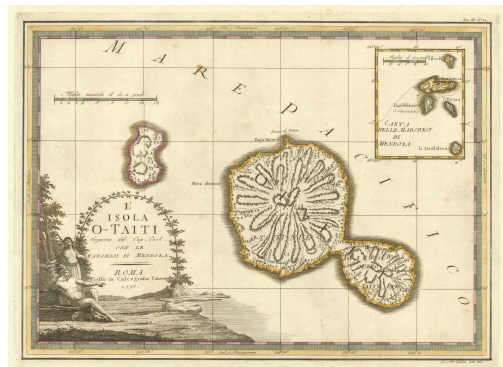




CAPTAIN COOK'S MAPPING OF TAHITI

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L'Isola O-Tahiti scoperta dal Cap. Cook, Con le Marchesi di Mendoza.

Cartographer CASSINI, Giovanni Maria.

Date 1798

Stock #: 15546

Publication: Rome, 1798. Original colour. 375 x 550mm.

Condition: A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

Published in the scarce atlas, the 'Nuovo atlante geografico universale', this map is one of the most decorative maps of Tahiti.

Cook's mission on his First Voyage to the South Seas was to observe the transit of Venus across the Sun in 1769, at the request of the Royal Society. During the three months he stayed on the island he sailed round it in a small boat, a trip which resulted in this map. To the north can be seen 'Point Venus'. An inset show the Marquesas Islands.