



THE FIRST ACCURATE MAP OF THE CASPIAN SEA

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Carte Marine de la Mer Caspiene levée Suivant les Ordres de
S.M.Czariene...

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Publication: Paris, 1721. Coloured. Two sheets conjoined,
total 880 x 620mm.

Condition: A good example.

DESCRIPTION:

Despite Alexander the Great visiting the Caspian Sea two thousand years earlier, it was Karl van Verden, a Dutchman sailor working for the Russians, who mapped the sea properly for the first time (1719-21). The two baroque cartouches and eight insets make this a very striking map.