



A mid-18th century Italian world map with allegorical figures of the continents

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Venice, c.1742. Coloured. 295 x 360mm.

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A very decorative double-hemisphere world map, with female allegorical figures of the continents in the corners and an armillary sphere in the upper cusp. The map shows explorer's routes, including Magellan and Tasman; the NW Coast of America is left blank; Australia is depicted as attached to New Guinea; and New Zealand is incomplete, half a century before Cook.

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