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Nautical charts of the West Indies and the coasts of Brazil, Madagascar and Africa

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Abstract

This collection contains oversized volumes of nautical charts and a compendium of maps from different British publishers. Volumes include charts of the West Indies, the Atlantic Ocean, the Gulf of Mexico, the Pacific coast of Central America, the western Indian Ocean, and other regions.

Scope & content

This collection consists of two disbound volumes of nautical charts. The first is "The Complete Pilot for the West Indies, Including the British Channel, Bay of Biscay, and All the Atlantic Islands," by Thomas Jefferys, Geographer to the King [of Britain], published by Laurie and Whittle, London [date missing, probably 1794]. An inscription on the title page reads "Jno. Rodgers, presented by his friend, Mr. P. Graybell." On another leaf is written "William Groom, Baltimore, November [illeg.]", and also reads "Richard M. Ball, Annodomini 1798."

The second volume contains an assemblage of nautical charts pertaining to the Cape Stations. These charts date from 1769 to 1809 and depict the coasts of Brazil, Madagascar, and Africa, as well as various islands and bays. One page is inscribed "Capt. J[ohn] D[andridge] Henley."

Many of the charts in this collection contain extremely detailed maps of European ship routs and holdings in the Atlantic, with soundings and profiles of sea floor terrain. Many islands have notations about which European power was in possession, as well as corresponding name changes.

Administrative Information

Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Acquisition information

Provenance unknown.

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Inventory

Charts of the Cape Stations

Title	Publication Date	Chart number(s)	Flat file
Chart of the Açores of Western Islands	1802	1	2
Chart of the Canary Islands, Including Madeira	1803	2	2
GeoHydrographic Survey of the Isle of Madeira	1791	3	2
Plan of the Island of Porto Santo	1802	4	2
[none]		5	
A Chart of the Ocean between South America and Africa	1769	6	2
Chart of the East Coast of Brazil, leaves #1 and #2	1779	7-8	3
A New Chart of the Coast of Brazil	1807	9	3
Chart of the River La Plata	1808	10	3
For Navigating to, from & in the East Indies, leaves #1 and #2	1809	11-12	4
The Bays of St. Augustin and Tullea	1794	13	4
Chart of the N.W. Coast of Madagascar	1806	14	4
Bembatooka Bay on the Island of Madagascar	1806	15	4
Narreenda Bay and Luza River on the N.W. Coast of Madagascar	1806	16	4
Passandava (olim Assada) with the Bays of Marbacool and Chimpaykee on the N.W. Coast of Madagascar	1806	17	5
Chart of the Eaat coast of Africa	1804	18	5
Plan of Mathurin Bay	1794	19	5
Plan of the Harbour at the Island Chagos or Diego Garcia	1787	20	5

Complete Pilot for the West-Indies

Title	Publication Date	Chart number(s)	Flat file
The British Channel, with a part of the Atlantic Ocean, and of the coast of Ireland to Cape Clear, etc.	1794	1	Oversize
The Bay of Biscay, from Ushant to Cape Finisterre	1794	2	7
The Atlantic Ocean, with opposite coasts	1794	3	7
The Açores, or Western islands	1794	4	7
The Madeiras, and Canary Islands	1794	5	7
The Cape Verd Islands	1788	6	8
The Bermudas, or Summer's Isalnds	1794	7	8
The West-Indies, in general	1794	8	8
The western coast of Louisiana, and the coast of New Leon	1792	9	8
The coast of West Florida and Louisiana	1794	10	8
The Peninsula and Gulf of Florida, and the Bahama Islands	1794	11	9
The Coast of Mexico, from Laguna de Esmotes to Punta Brava	1794	12	9
The Coast of Yucatan, from Campeche to Ascension Bay, with the west end of Cuba	1794	13	9
The Island of Cuba, with Part of the Bahama Banks, and the Martyrs	1794	14	9
The Windward Passage, with Several Passages from the east end of Cuba and the north part of St. Domingo	1794	15	10
Turks Islands	1775	16	10
The Coast of New Spain, from Nueva Vera Cruz to Triste Island	1794	17	10
The Bay of Honduras	1792	18	10
The Island of Jamaica and Cape Gracias a Dios, with the Banks	1794	19	11
The south part of St. Domingo	1794	20	11

The Caribbee or Leeward	1794	21	11
Islands, the Virgin Islands, and			
Porto Rico			
Part of the Provinces of Costa	1794	22	11
Rica, and Nicaragua, with the			
Lagunas			
The Isthmus of Pamana, with	1794	23	12
the coasts from the Great River			
on the Moskito Shore to			
Cartagena			
The coast of Tierra Firma from	1794	24	12
Cartagena to Golfo Triste			
The coast of Caracas Cumana	1794	25	12
Paria and the mouths of Rio			
Orinoco with the islands of			
Trinidad, Margarita, Tabago,			
Grenada, and St. Vincent			
A new chart of the coast of	1794	26	12
Guyana from Rio Orinoco to			
River Berbice			