



A detailed 18th century two-sheet map of Scotland

MOLL, Herman.  
 The North Part of Great Britain called Scotland.

London: Moll, John Bowles & Thomas Bowles & John King, c.1720. Coloured. Printed on two sheets and conjoined, total 600 x 1000mm.

£1,650

Moll's large-format map of Scotland, flanked by a chart of the Orkneys & Shetlands and eleven views of Scottish cities, engraved by John Kip. A striking map, first published 1714. Moll was very political, using the blank areas of his large-format maps to express his views, for example his dislike of the Dutch & French, especially their mapmakers. (See MapForum.Com: Issue 6, Treacle & Vinegar). Here his target is not foreigners (Moll was a German emigré!) but the failure to capitalise on Scotland's resources. He marks the fishing grounds and states 'if things were rightly managed, there would be no reason to go to Norway for wood or New-found-land for fish; seeing North Britain can Plentifully furnish us with both'.

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