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DOUBLE-SIDED POSTER MAP OF THE EUROPE AND PACIFIC THEATRES OF WW2

£750.00

Nav War Map No 3. World War 2 in the North Sea Area. [&] Nav War Map No 4. The North Pacific Area.

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| Cartographer | BUREAU OF NAVAL PERSONNEL. |
| Date | 1944 |
| Stock #: | 16657 |
| Publication: | Washington: U.S. Government Printing Office, 1944. Colour lithograph, printed on both sides. Sheet 1010 x 1080mm. |
| Condition: | Repairs to folds. |

DESCRIPTION:

Two colourful propaganda maps of the main theatres of the American war effort in 1944, each giving a brief history of events.

The first shows the North Atlantic and North Sea, published just prior to the Normandy landings, illustrates the hunt for the German battleship Bismarck and the success of the Arctic convoys. A label over England reads 'The R.A.F. and the A.A.F. control the industrial heart of Europe from England, the world's most powerful air base', and streams of planes show the targets of bombing campaigns in Europe.

The map on the reverse shows the Pacific theatre, with a timeline listing Japanese aggression from the taking of Formosa in 1895 to Pearl Harbour. The map shows the extent of the Japanese attacks on American bases and the American counter attacks, with diagrams underneath detailing the battles of Midway and Attu.