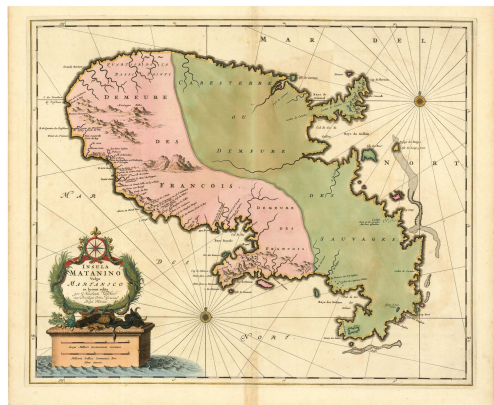




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## 17TH CENTURY MAP OF MARTINIQUE IN FINE COLOUR

**£600.00**

Insula Matanino vulgo Martanico...

<b>Cartographer</b>	VISSCHER, Nicolas Jansz.
<b>Date</b>	1657
<b>Stock #:</b>	24747
<b>Publication:</b>	Amsterdam, 1657. Full original colour. 470 x 570mm.
<b>Condition:</b>	Faint glue stains at centre fold, small repairs to verdigris on reverse.

### DESCRIPTION:

A large map of Martinique, during the conquest of the island by the French. North on the compass rose errs by 45° East.

In 1635 the 'Compagnie des Îles de l'Amérique' sent nearly a hundred settlers from St Kitts to Martinique, where they built Fort St Pierre. On the map the island is divided in two with 'Demeure de Francois' to the north and west, and 'Demeure de Sauvages' (the indigenous Caribs) over the rest of the island. The map does not mention Fort St Louis, a second fort built by the French in 1638. The Caribs were exterminated or exiled by 1660.