



Double-page engraved chart.

ONE OF THE FIRST SEA CHARTS OF NORTH-EAST ASIA

Pascaarte vande Noord Oost Cust van Asia verthoonende in sich alle de Zee-custen van Tartarien, van Japan tot Nova Zemla alles op Wassende graaden geleght.

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520 by 595mm (20.5 by 23.5 inches).

Notes

One of the first sea charts of north-east Asia, illustrating how little was known of the region. It shows from Novaya Zemlya in northern Russia, along the coast of Siberia (with few promontories and one one large island) past the mythical 'Land of Ezo' and 'Companies Land' to Japan, Korea and

Zhoushan in China. There are no signs of Hokkaido, Sakhalin, Kamchatka or the Bering Strait, as the chart predates the explorations of Vitus Bering by nearly fifty years and James Cook by nearly a century.

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