



## STORIES FROM THE SEA

## PIRATE OBJECTS



## WESTERN ATLANTIC OCEAN

### Date made

1660

### Object ref.

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### Credit

National Maritime Museum

### Description

Maps and charts like these were usually made by printing and engraving onto vellum (made from the skin of a young animal such as a calf). They were then hand-coloured with ink. This map shows North and South America. Maps were highly prized treasure for pirates.

### Questions

1. Look closely at this map. Can you see ships, shields, figures, animals and birds?
2. Why might this map be useful to a pirate?