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For the first time the rich collection of early Australian maps printed in books has been identified and described. In all, this guide offers an annotated listing of nearly 600 maps and charts of Australia and its parts published in English and foreign-language books between 1780 and 1830.

Tom Perry and Dorothy Prescott have compiled an extensive bibliography which not only supplements existing map catalogues but provides an essential tool for map collectors, map dealers, librarians, and students and teachers of historical geography, cartography and maritime history.

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