

SIZE: APPROX: 32CM HIGH, 40CM WIDE – 12½ INS HIGH, 15¾ INS WIDE

MANY OF THESE IMAGES DRAWN BY THE EXPLORERS AND VOYAGERS OF THE LATE 18TH CENTURY SEEMED TO ENCAPSULATE THE COLLISION BETWEEN PACIFIC SO CALLED 'SAVAGE' AND EUROPEAN OR 'CIVILISED' CULTURES, BUT THE BEAUTY OF THE ISLANDS SCENERY AND THE FAVOURABLE CLIMATE OVERCAME EUROPEAN CONCERNS AND THE ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC, ESPECIALLY TAHITI, WERE CONTINUOUSLY VISITED THROUGHOUT THE 19TH CENTURY.