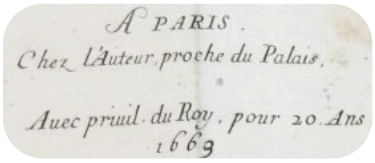
1663 *Pierre Du Val*

Although seemingly intended for publication in 1660, Pierre Du Val's atlas of Louis XIV's territorial gains was probably delayed until 1663. No edition dated 1660 has been traced but the earliest one known has an engraved title-page dated 1663, with the figure '3' being changed from '0'. The engraving is poorly executed so that the figure could easily be mistaken for '9'.



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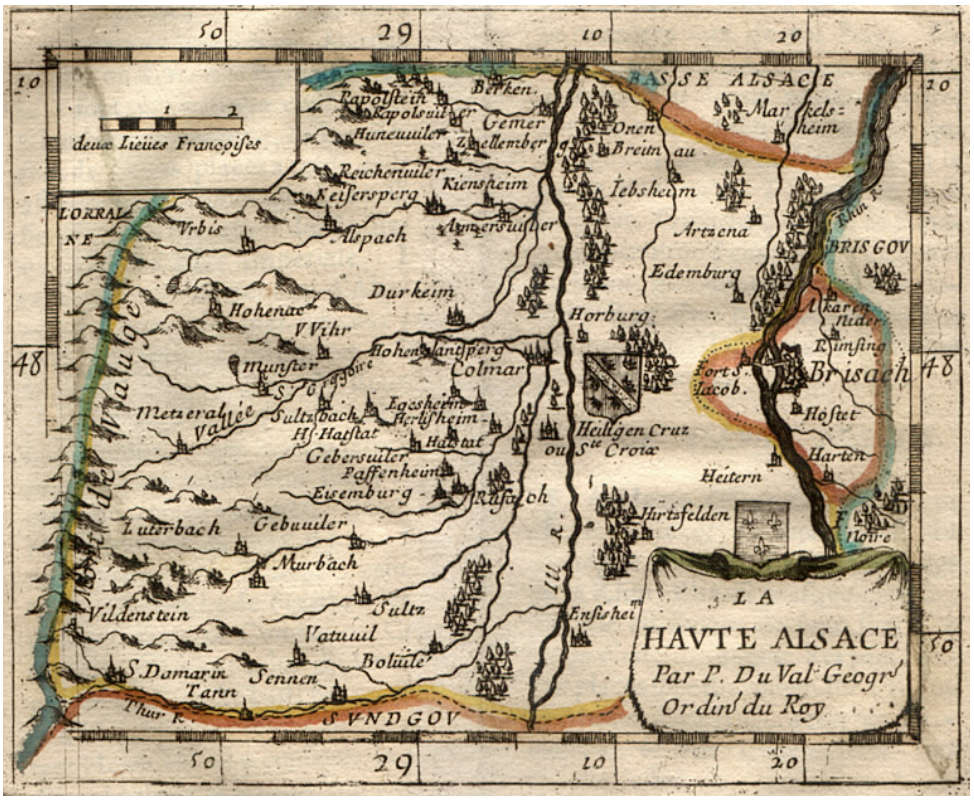
The twenty-three double-page maps and plans are about 120/5 x 100/5 mm. Only six are signed which is rather unusual. It seems illogical but some copies of the first edition have two additional plates at the rear relating to Swedish acquisitions. These are from his *La Géographie universelle* (see 1660): *Les Acquisitions de la Svede, en Alemagne, par la Paix de Munster* and *Les Acqvisitions de la Suede Sur le Danemarq ....* The atlas includes various tables which differ between editions and one of them has the signature of Françoise de Lapointe, who is thought to have engraved many of Du Val's miniature plates. One of the maps is dated 1659, four are 1660, another is dated 1661 and two more are 1662. All these were removed in the second edition, which has no date on the title-page either.

La France Selon ses Parlements, avec ses Acquisitions; Pignerol en Piemont et les Vallées voisines*; Plan de Sedan et de ses nouvelles Fortifications; Les Acqvisitions de la France en Alemagne par la Paix de Munster*; Le Svndgow*; La Haute Alsace 1662*; Brisach ... Philisbourg / Strasbourg; La Basse Alsace 1662*; Les Frontieres de France et d'Espagne du costé de Bayone et de S. Sebastien 1659*; Le Rovssillon et le Conflant 1660*; Perpignan / Salses / Opovl / Elne / Colliovre; Le Capsir et le Val de Carol 1660*; Les 33 villages de Cerdagne Cédes a la France Par le Traité de Livia 1660*; L'Artois François 1660*; Arras / Hesdin / Bapavme / Lens / Bethvune / Lillers; Les Acqvisitions de la France en Flandre, en Hainavt, en Lvxembovrg*†; Gravelines / Fort Philippe ... St. Venant; Avesnes / Landreci ... Philippeville; Thionville / Mon-medi / Damvillers / Yvol, dit Carignan; Lorraine*; Anciennes Fortifications de Nanci / La Mothe, razée / Mets ... Marsal; Le Chemin Royal des François en Lorraine, depuis l'Euesché de Metz iusqu'en Alsace 1661 ...*; Fort de Mardick / Dunkerque.*

In 1667 this work became the second part in Du Val's quartet of little books on the France of Louis XIV, with an additional dated title-page (see 1659). Also in 1667 the number of maps was reduced to fourteen* and text was introduced too. In 1677 a foliate border and date were added to the original title-page. In 1679 '*d'Aix-la-chapelle, de Nimmegue.*' was added to the end of the subtitle and one map† had its title extended: '*par la Paix des Pyrennées*.' All the issues except the final one are listed in detail by Mireille Pastoureau: *Les Atlas français XVIe - XVIIe siècles*. Paris, Bibliothèque Nationale, 1984.

Les Acqvisitions de la France par la paix. Paris, Pierre Du Val, 1663, (166?), 1667, 1677, 1679; Pierre Du Val & Nicolas Langlois, 1682.