

The smallest English road atlas at this time, *Britannia depicta* (see 1720), is enormous compared to Louis Denis' road atlas of France. This tiny road book measuring only about 100 x 60 mm. is engraved throughout and its title-page features the transport of those days.



There is a folding map of France dated 1768, *Carte générale de la France*, and sixty-one single-page road maps of the routes between Paris and the principal provincial towns. These are all double-strip apart from *Route de Bretagne* 1767 on page 112 and their dimensions are about 46 x 83/5 mms. With the exception of the first one, they are all printed on the versos, having descriptive text relating to that route on the facing rectos. Various information is also engraved outside the borders, as is often the case with Denis' maps.

This was the fourth and the last of his miniature atlases. It was undoubtedly the inspiration for Louis-Charles Desnos to produce a miniature version of his own larger format road atlas (see 1771).

Subsequently, Denis also produced a larger format road book of France which he published together with Jacques J. Pasquier (see 1774).





*Itinéraire historique et topographique des grandes routes de France par L. Denis. Paris, Louis Denis, Jacques J. Pasquier & Ramonet, 1768, 1771.*