



An undated miniature atlas was published in Berlin in the middle of the nineteenth century. Its soft covers, which measure only 110 x 90 mm., have printed pictorial designs incorporating portraits of Columbus and Cook on the front, with Kopernikus and Humboldt on the back.

An oval panel in the centre of the front one contains the title and the imprint of F. Silber of Berlin. It seems he was active as a printer and publisher of hand-coloured lithographs from about 1840-1860.



The atlas contains a zonal diagram of the earth followed by twenty-two lithographed maps with outline hand-colour. They appear to be after Hermann Delius (see 1850), measuring 94 x 77 mm., with the titles above the top border:

*Die östliche Halbkugel; Die westliche Halbkugel; Europa; Asien; Afrika; Nord-Amerika; Süd-Amerika; Australien; Deutschland; Preussen; Oestreich; Schweiz; Italien; Türkei; Polen; Russland; Spanien u. Portugal; Frankreich; Holland u. Belgien; Grossbritannien; Dänemark; Norwegen u. Schweden.*



It has not been possible to trace another copy and the date is conjectural, that is later than Delius. An incomplete copy of another edition is known, with an ownership inscription dated 1853. This has been presumed to be later, though this is of course open to question. It lacks a title-page and consists of just thirteen of Silber's maps with outline hand-colour:

*Die östliche Halbkugel; Die westliche Halbkugel; Europa; Asien; Afrika; Nord-Amerika; Süd-Amerika; Australien; Deutschland; Italien; Frankreich; Spanien u. Portugal; Grossbritannien.*

However, each one has the same foliate border added, incorporating six heads, likely representing the continents depicted, and overall measures 135 x 102 mm.

*Taschen-atlas.* Berlin, F. Silber, (1851).

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