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## Atlas Minor Gerardi Mercatoris à I.Hondio plurimis æneis tabulis auctus atque illustratus.

**Stock#:** 68852  
**Map Maker:** Hondius / Jansson / Claesz  
**Date:** 1607  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** Fair  
**Size:** 9 x 7 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### ***First Edition, Second Issue of the First Miniature Mercator-Hondius Atlas.***

This is the "corrected" 1607 issue of Hondius-Claesz-Janssonius *Atlas Minor*, the first edition of the famed Mercator-Hondius miniature atlas.

7 African maps, 11 Asian and Middle Eastern maps, 5 American maps, 6 ancient and biblical maps.

The atlas was hastily and sloppily printed in 1607 - Koeman and Van Der Krogt suggest this was because the book needed to be ready for the Spring 1607 Frankfurt book fair -

### **Editions, Variants, and Rarity**

Evidently a variant between Koeman Me 186 and the next Latin-language edition (1610A) Me 189.

- Updated engraved title page, with the continents and their names engraved on Atlas's globe.
- Printed page numbers.
- Page 571: Morea is printed with text on verso, not pasted down to a map of Candia.
- Page 583: Egypt is printed with text on verso, not pasted down to a map of Macedonia.

### **Detailed Condition:**

Oblong quarto. Contemporary vellum (spine somewhat defective). [8], 682 pages. Engraved allegorical title, engraved allegorical plate (after Goltzius?; defective), 152 engraved maps (i.e., complete). (Some staining and wear throughout - see illustrations.)