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(Environs of Rome) Tavola Esatta dell antico Latio E Nova Campagna Di Roma Situata sotto il quinto Clima Dedicata All' Illme. et Eccmo. Sigre. D' Sigismondo Chigi Gran Priore Di Roma E. Sigre. Svo. Benigmo. Da Innocenzo Mattei Rom. M.C. . . . [Accurate Map of ancient Latium and the new countryside of Rome, located below the fifth climate, dedicated to the Illustrious and Most Excellent Lord Sigismondo Chigi, Grand Prior of Rome, by his most gracious Lordship, Innocenzo Mattei of Rome]

**Stock#:** 92643 **Map Maker:** Rossi

Date: 1666
Place: Rome
Color: Uncolored

**Condition:** VG+

**Size:** 20.5 x 15.5 inches

Price: SOLD



## **Description:**

Striking and highly detailed map of the region around Rome, engraved by Giorgio Widman and published in Rome by Giacomo Rossi, the most important map maker working in Rome during the second half of the 17th century.

Innocenzo Mattaei was appointed as the official cartographer to the Papal States by Pope Clemente X. The present map was initially prepared by Mattaei in 1666, and later engraved by Widman, and issued by the Rossi family in their *Mercurio Geographico*. It represents perhaps the most accurate and detailed map of the region to appear in a commercial atlas of the period and reflects the skill of the engraver and the high quality of engraving work being done in Rome in the second half of the 17th Century. During this period, a new generation of Italian map makers produced several decorative and important separately issued maps and atlases at a scale not scene since Lafreri and his contemporaries' work in the 1560s and 1570s.

Giorgio Widman engraved several maps for Rossi from 1672 to 1682. He also appears to have worked for Guillaume Sanson during the period.



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**Detailed Condition:**