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## Meerwunder und seltzame Thier. . . [Munster's Famous Chart of Sea Monsters]

**Stock#:** 17670  
**Map Maker:** Munster  
**Date:** 1552  
**Place:** Basle  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 13.5 x 10.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Remarkable chart of mythical land and sea monsters and other creatures, from Munster's *Cosmographia*, one of the most influential works of the 16th Century.

Munster's plate of mythical creatures is taken from Olaus Magnus' *Carta Marina* of 1539 and includes abundant tusks, horns and twin-spouts. One vignette shows a galleon trying to outrun one monster by throwing their cargo overboard, while one sailor takes sight with a musket. Ortelius also adapted many of the monsters for use on his map of Iceland in 1587. One of the most sought-after of all 16th Century curiosities.

### Detailed Condition: