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Mappa Aestivarum Insularum alias Bermudas dictarum | A Map of the Sommer Ilands once called Bermudas . . .

Stock#: 36430
Map Maker: Speed
Date: 1626
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 20.5 x 15.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative example of the first edition of John Speed's map of Bermuda, first published in London in 1626-27.

Speed's map of Bermuda was compiled in 1622 by Richard Norwood. It is the first English printed map published in an atlas to show Bermuda divided into Tribes and Shares. These divisions designated the properties given to the 'Adventurers,' led by Sir George Sommers, who were shipwrecked there in 1609.

Speed's map of Bermuda became the standard map of the 17th century and was copied by Blaeu, Jansson, Ogilby and others. The title is in both English and Latin.

The map was engraved by Abraham Goos in Amsterdam for Speed's *Prospect* and his imprint appears below the scale of miles. The imprint of George Humble is at left. The map is embellished with sailing ships, a compass rose, four cartouches and two coats of arms. English text on verso.

An important map for Bermuda collectors.

Detailed Condition:

Narrow margins. Minor loss of image at top left corner and a minor nick at near the top right and bottom right corners. A bit of soiling and foxing.