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Leo Belgicus

Stock#: 40099
Map Maker: Hondius / Gerritsz
Date: 1611 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 17 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A Rare Lion

In 1608, the cartographer Hessel Gerritsz (1581-1632) published a new version of the Leo Belgicus, with its head facing South towards the Spanish threat.

The lion is shown walking on all fours (passant).

No example of Gerritsz' original map has survived. The present example bears the imprint of Jodocus Hondius. Gerritsz sold the plates for the map to Cornelius Janszoon, who in turn sold them to Jodocus Hondius, who issued this edition in 1611.

Detailed Condition: