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Nozwunder und Seltzame Thier/Wie Die In Den Nitnacßtigen Landern Gefunden Werden [Munster's Famous Chart of Sea Monsters]

Stock#: 42650 **Map Maker:** Munster

Date: 1570 circa **Place:** Basle

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 13.5 x 10.5 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the most famous charts of mythical sea monsters.

Munster's plate of monsters of both land and sea, taken from Olaus Magnus' "Carta Marina" of 1539, with 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 from Magnus and Munster, for use on his map of Iceland in 1587.

One of the most sought-after of all 16th Century curiosities.

Detailed Condition:

Lower right corner restored in fascimile, cutting through the tree at the lower left. Minor marginal repairs and soiling.