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Europae Tabula VIII [Russia, Baltic, Scandinavia]

Stock#: 45739 Map Maker: Ruscelli

Date: 1598Place: VeniceColor: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 10×7 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of the third state of Ruscelli's map of Eastern Europe and Scandinavia, based upon Claudius Ptolemy.

The map treats "Daniae et Norvegiae" as an island, with a separate island of Scandia below.

Ruscelli's Atlas is an expanded edition of Gastaldi's Atlas of 1548, which has been called the most comprehensive atlas produced between Martin Waldseemüller's *Geographiae* of 1513, and the Abraham Ortelius *Theatrum* of 1570. Ruscelli and Gastaldi's maps were beautifully engraved on copper, marking a turning point in the history of cartography. From that point forward, the majority of cartographic works used this medium. As it was a harder material than wood it gave the engraver the ability to render more detail.

Gastaldi sought the most up-to-date geographical information available, making the modern maps in Ruscelli's Geographia among the best modern maps of the period.

Detailed Condition: