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Scotia Regnum

Stock#: 76746mp2
Map Maker: Metellus
Date: 1598
Place: Cologne
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 9 x 7.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scotland at the End of the Sixteenth Century

Rare early map of Scotland, published in Cologne by Jean Matal, or Johannes Matalius Metellus.

Metellus' map is one of the earliest printed maps of Scotland and one of the rarest. It features Scotland, the Hebrides, and the Orkneys with a stylish strapwork cartouche.

Cologne School

This work is from the so-called Cologne School of mapmaking, the members of which made a concerted, though largely unsuccessful, attempt to supplant Antwerp (and to a lesser extent Amsterdam) as a mapmaking hub in the 1590s and first decades of the seventeenth century. Cologne's role as a mapmaking center was boosted by Dutch and Flemish refugees fleeing persecution and war, just as that of Amsterdam was boosted by those leaving Spanish-controlled Antwerp after 1588.

Rarity

Metellus's maps are very rare on the market. This is the first time we have handled this map. We find no other examples in the standard map databases.

Detailed Condition: