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(The Egyptian Zodiac) Zodiaco Di Tentira

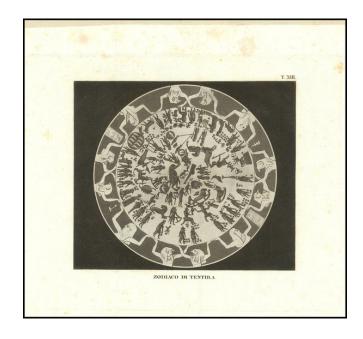
Stock#: 82801 Map Maker: Marmocchi

Date: 1839Place: FlorenceColor: Uncolored

Condition: VG

Size: 6.75 x 5.75 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Interesting antique representation of the Dendera zodiac, which has been called "the only complete map of the ancient sky." Discovered during the great archeological period of Napoleonic Egypt, this work of art and detail that today resides in the Louvre was engraved sometime around the time of Christ. The print was published in Italy in 1839 as part of Francesco Marmocchi's *Atlante di Geografia Universale*.

The representation centers on the North Star and shows various constellations represented by Egyptian figures, including jackals and gods. The outermost ring of 36 figures shows the number of ten-day weeks in a year and the number of forty hours in the day.

Detailed Condition:

Minor foxing.