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### Italia Newly augmented by I. Speed and Are to bee Sold by Tho. Bassett in Fleet Street and Richard Chiswell in St. Puals Church-yard

**Stock#:** 0824  
**Map Maker:** Speed  
**Date:** 1676  
**Place:** London  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 20 x 15 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

Attractive example of John Speed's map of Italy, from the 1676 edition of his Prospect of the World, published posthumously by Bassett & Chiswell. Unquestionably the most beautiful and decorative map of Italy to appear in an English language atlas in the 17th Century. Includes views of Florence, Venice, Rome, Genoa, Naples and Verona across the top and side panels featuring the typical dress of the various stations of Italian society. The text on the verso gives a 17th Century English view of Italy. John Speed's maps are without question the most decorative and highly sought after maps produced in England. This example includes nice full margins, which is unusual for Speed's maps. A wonderful little note on the verso of the map states Modern Color R. Casswell. Goodspeed's Bookshop May 23, 1926. Archivaly conserved with Japan paper on the verso, but not affecting the readability of the English text on the verso, which remains strong and dark. A nice example, with a wonderful Goodspeed's Association, from a time period pre-dating all of the venerable American antique map sellers.

#### Detailed Condition: