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## Die Neuwen Inseln / So hinder Hispanien gegen Orient / ven dem landt indie ligen [America]

**Stock#:** 10052  
**Map Maker:** Munster  
**Date:** 1561  
**Place:** Basle  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 13.5 x 10 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Munster's map of America is the earliest map to show all of North and South America in a true continental form. The first edition of the map appeared in Munster's *Geographia*, first published in 1540. It was the map's inclusion in the 1544 edition of Munster's *Cosmographia* that forever caused America to be the name of the New World, perpetuating Waldseemuller's choice of names in a popular and widely disseminated work. The map includes a host of firsts, too many to include in this description. Early appearance of the Straits of Magellan, along with his ship *Victoria* in the Pacific. First appearance of *Mare Pacificum* (Pacific Ocean) on a map. Earliest appearance of Japan on a map, predating European contact and based solely legends, such as Marco Polo. The Yucatan Peninsula is shown as an Island. Lake Temistan empties into the Caribbean. The mis-information provided by Verazanno along the east coast of North America, including the narrow channel of land separating the Atlantic and a western ocean with direct access to Asia is shown. The map depicts cannibals in South America and names Florida. In all, a nice example of the map from the 1561 German edition of Munster's map of America. See Burden 12. A seminal map for American Collectors. A nice wide margined example in attractive period color.

### Detailed Condition: