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## Africae Tabula Nova

**Stock#:** 10768  
**Map Maker:** Ortelius  
**Date:** 1587  
**Place:** Antwerp  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 19.5 x 14.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

A nice example of Ortelius' map of Africa, from a 1587 French edition of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas.

At the time of its publication, it was the most expensive book ever produced. Between 1570 and 1612, it was issued in 31 editions and 7 languages. This map of Africa is based upon Gastaldi's 8 sheet wall map and Mercator's world map of 1569. The map was the first widely disseminated modernized map of Africa in the latter part of the 16th Century and became the standard map of the continent until well into the 17th Century (Tooley, p.88). Nice example in full color, with good margins.

### Detailed Condition: