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Stock#: 16365
Map Maker: Camocio
Date: 1570 circa
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 18 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of one sheet from Camocio's extremely rare 12 sheet map of Asia, one of the most influential regional maps of the period. The map is dedicated to Gottardo Murari, a Venetian noble born in Verona who held a succession of prestigious offices. In 1567, Murari was Governatore del S. Monte di Pietà, in 1568 Console dell'Arte della Seta (the silk guild), and in 1580 Preside della Carità. Paolo Forlani dedicated to him his world map (1565), his view of Venice (1566), and his map of Europe and the Mediterranean (1569). Camocio in the dedication says that of the four parts of the world, he already has published two of these, namely Africa and Europe, and to accompany them he is making Asia in similar fashion with the hope of a fourth so that the whole world can be enjoyed. It is dated MDLXXV4 (1579) but the V and 4 seem to have been added, perhaps but not necessarily over previously engraved Roman numerals. If Asia first came out in 1570, however, the maps of Africa and Europe to which he refers must have been versions that are no longer extant, for the existing impressions are dated later. A fine example, with a rich dark impression.

Detailed Condition: