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Asia Secunda Pars Terrae in Forma Pegasisir [Asia in the Form of Pegasus]

Stock#: 17274
Map Maker: Bunting
Date: 1581
Place: Hannover
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 9.75 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Bunting's map of Asia in the shape of the mythical winged horse Pegasus is among the earliest cartographic.

The horse is drawn fairly realistically, with a good deal of imagination required to view the map. The head represents Asia Minor with the mouth at Istanbul. The wings portray Central Asia and Siberia. The Caspian Sea appears horizontally between the wings and the saddle. Persia is delineated on the horse blanket with the forelegs forming Arabia. The hind legs represent the Indian and Malay peninsulas.

Detailed Condition: