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Meerwunder und seltzame Thier. . . [Munster's Famous Chart of Sea Monsters]

Stock#: 17670
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1552
Place: Basle
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 13.5 x 10.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Remarkable chart of mythical land and sea monsters and other creatures, from Munster's *Cosmographia*, one of the most influential works of the 16th Century.

Munster's plate of mythical creatures is taken from Olaus Magnus' *Carta Marina* of 1539 and includes abundant tusks, horns and twin-spouts. One vignette shows a galleon trying to outrun one monster by throwing their cargo overboard, while one sailor takes sight with a musket. Ortelius also adapted many of the monsters for use on his map of Iceland in 1587. One of the most sought-after of all 16th Century curiosities.

Detailed Condition: