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Typus Orbis Terrarum

Stock#: 18580
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1584
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.5 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice old color example of the first edition of Ortelius' world map, one of the most widely copied and influential of all world maps during the late 16th Century.

Both the Northwest & Northeast Passages are shown quite boldly, although based completely upon myth and conjecture. A massive Terra Australis Nondum Cognita is shown with equally bold conjecture in the Southern Hemisphere. South America is shown in its potato configuration, which characterizes the first edition of this map. An elongated Northwest Coast of America is shown, along with Anian. Civola is shown, along with Quivira. Includes several sea monsters, a sailing ship and other decorative embellishments. This early Latin edition bears the signature of Franz Hogenberg, the engraver, which is absent from later editions.

One of the most important and recognizable maps of the World, based upon Mercator's large world map of 1569.

Detailed Condition:

Fine old color example. Minor repaired tear in upper left corner and old reinforcement to centerfold. Minor marginal soiling.