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Stock#: 22152
Map Maker: Hondius
Date: 1644
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.5 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Hondius' edition of John Smith's highly important 1612 map of Virginia, the single most important map of Virginia in the first part of the 17th Century.

John Smith's map is based upon his first hand observations as one of the first Virginia Colonists. His map is of the utmost importance, locating many Indian Tribes, the first English settlement in the region and a host of other details. The first Dutch map derived from Smith's map was the 1618 map of Henricus' brother Jodocus Hondius, which was sold to Willem Blaeu by Jodocus' estate after his death in 1629. While Smith's map was the first to depict the colony, it was the Dutch editions of the map published by Blaeu and Hondius which gave Europeans their first real detailed look at the Colony.

Hondius map of the Chesapeake was the first widely distributed derivative of Smith's map of the region. The Jamestown (Iamestowne) settlement appears, along with a number of other early English and Indian place names. This was one of the first maps engraved by Henricus for his Atlantis Appendix of 1630. It is the only edition of the map where the Indian faces the Chesapeake. An essential map for collectors of Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and the Chesapeake regions.

Detailed Condition:

Original Color, with modern enhancement. French text on Verso. Minor soiling and a bit of toning.