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Africae Tabula Nova [1st edition!]

Stock#: 22326
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1570
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 19.5 x 14.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A nice example of the first state of Ortelius' map of Africa, from the 1570 Latin edition of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas.

At the time of its publication, it was the most expensive book ever produced. Between 1570 and 1612, it was issued in 31 editions and 7 languages. This map of Africa is based upon Gastaldi's 8 sheet wall map and Mercator's world map of 1569. The map was the first widely disseminated modernized map of Africa in the latter part of the 16th Century and became the standard map of the continent until well into the 17th Century

Detailed Condition:

Minor repair at upper centerfold