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Urbis Romae Ichonographia a Leonardo Bufalino Ligneis formis evulgata atque aeri incisa a Joh. Baptista Nolli, Geometra et Architecto summi Pontificis Benedicti XIV. recusa prostat in Offic. Homan. 1755

Stock#: 22677
Map Maker: Bufalino / Nolli
Date: 1755
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 38 x 28 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine 18th Century example of the Leonardo Bufalino plan of ancient Rome, originally engraved in 1551, which in turn was copied by Giambattista Nolli in 1748.

Leonardo Bufalino originally produced his monumental and beautifully executed plan of Rome, its monuments and ancient ruins in 1551, showing the city situated amidst this remarkable historical tapestry. In 1748, Nolli revised this map to include the modern city, along with a reduced example of the Bufalino plan to complement his modern map. The Nolli map also showed the significant growth of Rome between 1551 and 1748, in the two centuries since Bufalino's original work, while furnishing the more complete picture of ancient structures and ruins that Bufalino provided. .

In 1755, the Homann Heirs produced a rare and greatly enlarged 4 sheet version of the Bufalino/Nolli map, which is in fact considerably rarer than the original Nolli. While the Bufalino/Nolli map appears periodically on the market, this 4 sheet Homann edition is extremely rare. We have located only the examples in the Harvard Map collection and Newberry/Baskes collections.

Detailed Condition:

4 sheets joined.