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## Mediolanum vulgo Milanen

**Stock#:** 24668  
**Map Maker:** Jansson  
**Date:** 1660 circa  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 20 x 16 inches  
**Price:** \$1,400.00



### Description:

Rare map / town plan of Milan, from Jansson's monumental town book.

Jansson's 8 volume *Theatrum Urbium* was the most comprehensive Dutch townbook of the 17th century. While similar in format to Braun & Hogenberg's *Civitates Orbis Terrarum*, Jansson's was in many respects a significant improvement, both in the scope of the towns depicted and the quality of the views. Moreover, it was perhaps the only work by Jansson which surpassed the comparable work of the Blaeu Family, whose own atlas of town views was never completed.

In 1653 Jansson acquired the nearly 500 plates of the *Civitates Orbis Terrarum* from Abraham Hogenberg, of which 232 were adapted and incorporated into the town books. For many plates of the cities of the Netherlands, Jansson ordered new copperplates, many of which were engraved after works by his rival, Blaeu.

### Detailed Condition:

Old color.