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Americae Nova Tabula

Stock#: 24887
Map Maker: Blaeu
Date: 1642
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22 x 16 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice full color example of Blaeu's map of America.

Blaeu's map of America is one of the most sought after maps of America from the Golden Age of Dutch Cartography, blending contemporary geographical knowledge and a rich decorative image. Blaeu's maps set the standard for the quality of the engraving, paper and color, as well as a fine depiction of contemporary geographical knowledge.

This map illustrates excellent detail throughout, including a classical rendition of the West Coast of America (which did not follow the California as an Island myth) and dozens of place names along the East Coast. Nine decorative views of important American Cities and Harbors across the top and 10 fine miniatures of Native Americans of various regions along the side panels. The map is also embellished with eight sailing ships, four sea monsters and vignettes in the interior of the continent showing Indian life. Goss states "this magnificent map sums up the general European view of the western hemisphere in the early seventeenth century..."

As noted by Burden, State 4 of the map, first published in 1642, includes additional engraved water features between the ship and the sea monster in the Pacific.

Detailed Condition:

Old Color.