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Mauritania Nuova Tavola

Stock#: 25231 Map Maker: Ruscelli

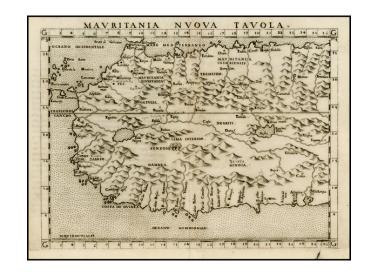
Date: 1564 Place: Venice

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG+

Size: 10×7 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Striking dark impression of Ruscelli's map of the Northwest portion of Africa.

Ruscelli's Atlas is an expanded edition of Gastaldi's Atlas of 1548, which has been called the most comprehensive atlas produced between Martin Waldseemüller's *Geographiae* of 1513, and the Abraham Ortelius *Theatrum* of 1570. Ruscelli and Gastaldi's maps were beautifully engraved on copper, marking a turning point in the history of cartography. From that point forward, the majority of cartographic works used this medium. As it was a harder material than wood it gave the engraver the ability to render more detail. Gastaldi sought the most up-to-date geographical information available, making the modern maps in Ruscelli's *Geographia* among the best modern maps of the period.

Detailed Condition: