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## Africa Minor Nova Tabula [shows Malta]

**Stock#:** 31958  
**Map Maker:** Gastaldi  
**Date:** 1548  
**Place:** Venice  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 6.5 x 5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Nice example of Gastaldi's map of the Northern portion of Africa, based on Ptolemy.

Shows the region from Malta in the Mediterranean to Ethiopia, the Benin River, Libya, Numidia and the Gulf of Zimair.

Giacomo Gastaldi is considered as the foremost Italian cartographer of the 16th century along with Paolo Forlani. From Piedmont, Gastaldi established his reputation in Venice and was cosmographer to the Republic of Venice. Gastaldi enjoyed a productive relationship with Giovanni Ramusio, Secretary of the Venice Senate, who used Gastaldi's maps for his *Navigazioni et Viaggi*. This map is from Gastaldi's edition of Ptolemy, *Ptolemeo. La Geografia...*, begun as early as 1542 and published in Venice in 1548.

### Detailed Condition:

Minor stain at lower left corner