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Stock#: 32800
Map Maker: Solinus
Date: 1538
Place: Basle
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 11.5 x 7.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Interesting early map of Europe and the Mediterranean, which appeared in the 1538 edition of Solinus' *Polyhistor, rerum toto orbe memorabilium thesaurus locupletissimus. Huic ob argumenti similitudinem Pomponii Melae de situ orbis libros tres adiunximus.*

The map provides a simple but relatively accurate depiction of Europe for its time period and is one of the earliest printed maps to depict the whole of Europe. The annotations suggest that an early owner was interested in the crusades in Spain.

Solinus was a third century Latin Scholar, who compiled a number of earlier ancient works in his *Polyhistor*, which contains a short description of the ancient world, with remarks on historical, social, religious and natural history questions. Much of the work is drawn from Pliny's work on Natural History and Pomponius Mela's work on Geography.

Detailed Condition:

Annotations in Spain and the Mediterranean. Laid onto a larger sheet.