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La Florida [with] Guastecan [with] Peruviae Avriferae Regionis Typus

Stock#: 33647
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1602
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 18 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative example of Ortelius' seminal map of Florida and the South, plus maps of Central and South America, from the 1609 Spanish edition of Oretlius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*.

A rare map of North America to be based upon Spanish sources, specifically Geronimo de Chaves, the Royal Cosmographer to Philip II of Spain. One of the earliest maps to show internal detail, based upon the findings of Hernando de Soto, as recorded by Gonzalo de Oviedo. This is the earliest regional mapping of the South and Southeast. The map provided the foundation cartography for the region, especially the river systems.

The map first appeared in the 1584 Latin edition of Ortelius' *Theatrum*. The Peru map depicts the regions conquered by the Spaniards in 1531-33 in today's Central America and most of northern South America. Guasteca shows a portion of east-central Mexico along the Gulf of Mexico coastline. The material was drawn from the Casa de Contratacion, one of the earliest examples of the dissemination of Spanish cartographic information from the New World.

Detailed Condition:

Cleaned and archivally backed, with wormholes, tears and loss of image expertly restored on verso.