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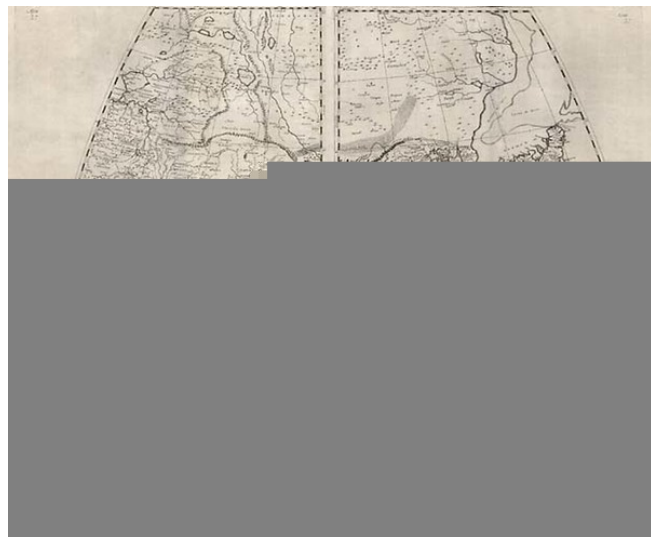
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Asia Ex Conatibus Geographicis Ioannis Baptistae Nicolosii S.T.D.

Stock#: 3548
Map Maker: Nicolosi
Date: 1660
Place: Rome
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 38 x 31 inches (4 sheets)
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare four sheet map of Asia, published in Rome by GB Nicolosi. In 1652, motivated by Sanson's new work, the Propoganda Fide of Rome hired G.B. Nicolosi to compose and atlas, which became his Dell' Hercole e Studio Geografico, published in 1660 and 1671. The 4 sheet maps of the continents have become celebrated rarities, which include incorporate Nicolosi's meticulous work with a quite unusual presentation style. The treatment of Southeast Asia is well described by Suarez, noting the large scale format of the presentation. Irian Jaya (Terra d. Papui) is a separate island, based upon an error in maps dating to 1590 confusing Irian Jaya with Seram. The treatment of Japan is interesting and highly detailed. The Great Wall of China is shown. Formosa is named. Korea is correctly shown as a peninsula. North of China, the cartographic information goes very sparse. The mythical Terra di Iesso is noted with a speculative coastliune. The treament of the Philippines and Tibet are of great interest. Marco Polo's Beach is shown below Java and Timor, foreshadowing the location of Australia. Hogeland and Batavia are shown on a poorly known stretch of land which would bcome Carpentaria in northern Australia, with the strait between New Guinea and Australia still poorly charted. A nice example of the map, with narrow upper margins, as issued. Nicolosi maps rarely appear on the market. An essential collector's map of the region.

Detailed Condition: