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Americae Nova Tabula

Stock#: 36015 Map Maker: Blaeu

Date: 1640 circaPlace: AmsterdamColor: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 22 x 16 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice old color example of Blaeu's map of America.

Blaeu's map of America is one of the most sought after maps of America from the Golden Age of Dutch Cartography, blending contemporary georgaphical knowledge and a rich decorative image. Blaeu's maps set the standard for the quality of the engraving, paper and color, as well as a fine depiction of contemporary geographical knowledge.

This map illustrates excellent detail throughout, including a classical rendition of the West Coast of America (which did not follow the California as an Island myth) and dozens of place names along the East Coast. Nine decorative views of important American Cities and Harbors across the top and 10 fine miniatures of Native Americans of various regions along the side panels. The map is also embellished with eight sailing ships, four sea monsters and vignettes in the interior of the continent showing Indian life. Goss states "this magnificent map sums up the general European view of the western hemisphere in the early seventeenth century..."

Detailed Condition:

Old Color. Minor repair at lower centerfold, just touching printed image.