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## Decima Asiae Tabula [India]

**Stock#:** 36160  
**Map Maker:** Waldseemüller  
**Date:** 1513  
**Place:** Strassburg  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 22 x 16.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Finely colored example of Waldseemüller's map of India is one of the earliest obtainable maps of the region.

The map appeared in Martin Waldseemüller's *Geographiae opus novissima traductione e Grecorum archetypis castigatissime pressum*.

Waldseemüller's *Geographiae* is often referred to as the first modern atlas, incorporating for the first time 20 modern maps. The 27 maps of ancient geography which constitute the first part of the work are copied from the 1482 Ulm edition. The supplement of 20 maps represent the first series of "modern" maps, produced by Martin Waldseemüller at Saint-Dié. The new Latin translation of the text by Mathias Ringmann is based on d'Angelo's text, and was edited by Jacob Aeschler and Georg Uebelin.

This geography includes many important maps, including the first map exclusively devoted to America ("Tabula terre nove"); Lorraine, one of the earliest color printed maps; and the first published maps for many other countries. Waldseemüller's maps made considerable geographical advances, basing their information on material in the University libraries in Basel and Strasbourg, as well as reports of Spanish and Portuguese voyages. No better assemblage of maps was issued until Ortelius's *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum* of 1570.

### Detailed Condition:

Several minor manuscript annotations