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## Asia

**Stock#:** 36333  
**Map Maker:** Sanson  
**Date:** 1657  
**Place:** Paris  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 21.5 x 15.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Fine mid-17th Century map of Asia by Nicolas Sanson.

Sanson's map is the first French map to depict new information in Africa, whereas earlier French maps were typically copies of Dutch maps. Further, the publication of this map, along with Sanson's maps of the other continents and regions, signaled the beginning of a growing French competition with the Dutch mapmakers of the seventeenth century.

Sanson's 1657 map of Asia is precise and scientific in its approach to presenting information. Sanson eschewed the tradition of adding decoration, myth and conjecture to fill his maps.

### Detailed Condition: