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Aeneae Troiani Navigatio Ad Virgilij Sex priores Aeneidos

Stock#: 38790
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1594 circa
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.5 x 13.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine old color example of this interesting historical map of Ortelius's *Parergon*, illustrating the ships of Troy in the Mediterranean, based upon the descriptions of Virgilius in his *Aeneas*.

Designed with two decorative cartouches, one located next to the title in the upper right hand corner with the Christogram in the shield. The bottom cartouche includes a passage from The Aeneid;

*The good Aeneas I am call'd,
While Fortune favor'd, not unknown to fame.
My household gods, companions of my woes,
With pious care I rescued from our foes.
To fruitful Italy my course was bent;
And from the King of Heav'n is my descent.
With twice ten sail I cross'd the Phrygian sea;
Fate and my mother goddess led my way.
Scarce sev'n, the thin remainders of my fleet,
From storms preserv'd, within your harbor meet.
Myself distress'd, an exile, and unknown,
Debarr'd from Europe, and from Asia thrown.*

The Aeneid is a Latin epic poem, written by Virgil between 29 and 19 BC, that tells the legendary story of Aeneas, a Trojan who travelled to Italy, where he became the ancestor of the Romans. The first six of the poem's twelve books tell the story of Aeneas's wanderings from Troy to Italy and the poem's second half tells of the Trojans' ultimately victorious war upon the Latins.



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Following the destruction of Troy, Aenaeas was reported to have roamed the seas for 7 years, beginning with a fleet of 20 ships, of which only 7 survived the 7 year ordeal.

Detailed Condition:

Old Color.