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## Asiae Nova Descriptio . . .

**Stock#:** 40731 **Map Maker:** Hondius

Date: 1606 (1620 ca)
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG

**Size:** 19.5 x 14.5 inches

Price: SOLD



## **Description:**

Fine example of Jodocus Hondius's updated and improved map of Asia, which first appeared in the 1606 edition of the Mercator Hondius *Atlas*.

Hondius' map provides a magnificent early 17th century depiction of South-East Asia and Eastern Pacific, naming the Oceanus Orientalis, and Pars Oceanus Maris Pacifici, and including New Guinea.

The map is embellished with sailing ships and monsters on a classically engraved Hondius style sea. Korea is now shown as an island, and the outlines of Ceylon and Borneo are improved from earlier maps.

A lengthy text panel below the title describes the ancient history of the continent and another at upper right describes the "Straits of Anian", between Asia and America.

## **Detailed Condition:**

Old Color.