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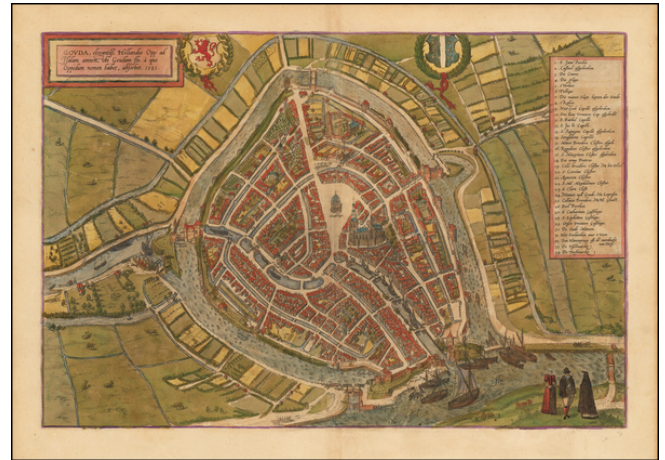
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## Gouda, elegantiss Hollandiae .Opp. ad Isalam amnem, ubi Goudam flu. à quo Oppidum nomen habet, absorbet. 1585

**Stock#:** 44294  
**Map Maker:** Braun / Hogenberg  
**Date:** 1588  
**Place:** Cologne  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 13 x 18.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Nice old color example of Braun & Hogenberg's map of Gouda.

This is a bird's-eye view of the city from the south. In the foreground is the confluence of the Gouwe and the IJssel. Prominent features are the town hall (Stadthuys) and the Gothic Sint-Janskerk, the largest church in the Netherlands.

Gouda lies in a polder that was created in the Middle Ages through the construction of dams and drainage systems. After being granted a municipal charter in 1272, the city developed into an important centre of trade. It was captured by the Watergeuzen in 1572 during the Dutch Revolt, and it played an important role in the assembly of the States-General. Around 1600 it still had a flourishing cloth industry, but suffered a decline in the 17th century.

### Detailed Condition:

Old Color. Minor reinforcement on verso.