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Accurate Vorstellung der Orientalisch Kayserlichen Haupt- und Residenz-Stadt Constantinopel samt ihrer Gegend und Zweyen Beruhmten Meer-Engen, Bosphoro Thracio und Hellesponto, oder dem Freto der Dardanellen

Stock#: 46739
Map Maker: Homann
Date: 1720
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22.5 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative map and plan of Istanbul.

The map includes a large inset bird's-eye view of the Bosphorus with several ships in the foreground framed with an allegorical cartouche, inspired by the oriental world using symbols like the half-moon and the oil lamp. Wisdom and knowledge is also depicted using a book and a terrestrial globe. The view of the city shows the former Christian church Hagia-Sophia, the Blue Mosque, three Egyptian obelisks which the Romans brought to the city, Sultan Suleyman's Mosque and the palace of the Sultan.

Detailed Condition:

Several wax spots from an early user.