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Culiacanae, Americae Regionis, Descriptio [with] Hispaniolae, Cubae, Aliarumq[ue] Insualrum Circumiacentium Delineatio

Stock#: 47541
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1584
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The Earliest Obtainable Dutch Map of The Caribbean & West Coast of Mexico

Finely colored example of Ortelius' maps of South Florida & the Caribbean, along with a regional map of part of Mexico, from the 1581 edition of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas of the World.

Ortelius created this map by himself, based upon a number of maps, including Mercator's 1569 world map, Gutierrez' 1562 map of America and Alonso de Soto's 1560 Isolario. The detail in Florida and the Caribbean is quite remarkable. The map extends from the tip of the Yucatan and names the Cayman Magnus and the Caymanes, provides excellent detail for Cuba, Hispaniola, Jamaica and St. Jois Insula (St. Johns). The treatment of the Bahamas, Virgin Islands, and the Windward Islands is also excellent for the period.

Remarkable detail is given in southern Florida, although not necessarily in accurate fashion. Hints of the Florida Keys are clearly present, making this, in reality, a better chart of South Florida and the Keys than the Chaves map shown as one of the maps in Ortelius' *Peruviae*...

Detailed Condition: