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Stock#: 52607
Map Maker: Bertelli
Date: 1563
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 21.5 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare Italian Map of the Holy Land, Based upon Wolfgang Wissenberg's 8 Sheet Map of 1537

Fine example of this extremely rare map of the Holy Land, published in Venice by Bertelli.

Bertelli's map is based upon the 1557 map of Johannes Franciscus Della Gatta, both of which are drawn from Wolfgang Wissenberg's 8 sheet map of 1537, dedicated to Archbishop Thomas Cranmer, which survives in a single example at the BNF in Paris.

Bertelli's map of the Holy Land is a remarkable combination of bird's eye view and map. Depiction of the buildings in a number of towns, including Jerusalem, can be seen. A portion of the Jew's Exodus from Egypt can be shown, including scenes on both sides of the Red Sea and extending to the Jordan River, with the wandering Jews depicted in the style of military columns.

The map includes an elaborate cartouche incorporating cupids and tritons. Numerous towns, tribes and encampments are delineated.

Bertelli's map is very rare on the market. This is the second example we have had in more than 20 years.

Detailed Condition:

Originally trimmed to neatlines and remargined for binding into a Lafreri Atlas. Margins added in the 16th Century, as was the style of the period.