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Tabula Europae II [Spain & Portugal] (1st edition!)

Stock#: 53763
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1540
Place: Basel
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 10 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Excellent old hand color example of Munster's map of Spain & Portugal, from the 1540 edition of Munster's *Geographia*.

The map shows a remarkable depiction of the region, as known in Ptolemy's time. This is the first edition, first state of Munster's map, which can be distinguished by the printer's device to the left of the title, and the triangle to the right. Munster's *Geographia* (first issued in 1540) and *Cosmographia* (1548) are the most important and widely copied geographical works of the mid-16th century, and, for most Europeans, it represented the first accessible imagery (maps and views) of the World.

Detailed Condition:

16th-century hand color. Early ink marginalia, partially shaved at the left edge. Scattered minor wormholes.