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Stock#: 54919mp2
Map Maker: Braun & Hogenberg
Date: 1581
Place: Cologne
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 19 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of this striking view of Zurich.

The following is a translation of the text on the verso by Braun:

Zurich is one of the oldest cities in Switzerland, built only 16 years after Trier. [...] In the year 1351 the people of Zurich forged an alliance with those of Uri and Schwyz. Readers will learn more about the city from Sebastian Münster, Johannes Stumpff, Josias Simmler, a citizen from Zurich, and from ancient and modern authors, including the most famous geographer of our times, Abraham Ortelius, in his atlas of the world.

The engraving of the town, divided by the Limmat River, along with bridges crossing the river. The edge of Lake Zurich appears at the lower right-hand corner. In the foreground lies the Old Town, twin-towered Romanesque and Gothic Fraumunster, a former Benedictine nunnery, and further left the church of St Peter with a single tower. On the left, lime trees mark the Lindenhof, originally the site of Roman fort and subsequently, in the 9th century, an imperial palace. On the far side of the Limmat, the Wasserkirche lies directly on the river. The engraving shows

Engraved after a woodcut by Jos Murer, published in 1576.

Detailed Condition:



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Old hand color. Some pigments oxidized with loss. The whole reinforced on verso.