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Situs Terrae Circulis Coelestibus Circundatae . . .

Stock#: 61119 **Map Maker:** Cellarius

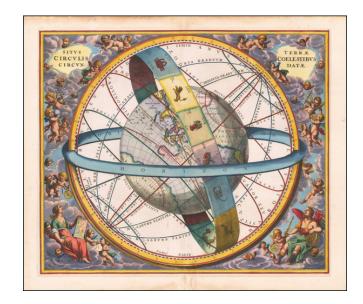
Date: 1660

Place: Amsterdam Colored Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 20×17 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

First State in Full Original Color

Striking old color celestial chart, showing a Ptolemaic model of the Universe, with the earth in its relation to the plane of the ecliptic, from the first edition of Andreas Cellarius' *Harmonia Macrocosmica seu Atlas Universalis et Novus*.

The map is centered on Australia and the Pacific, and extends to the Indian Ocean in the West and California as an Island in the East. The map also shows the zodiac band and horizon lines.

Andreas Cellarius *Harmonia Macrocosmica* (first published in 1660) is generally regarded as one of the most spectacular cosmographical atlases that was published in the second half of the seventeenth century. The atlas was published in 1660 and 1661 by the Amsterdam publisher Johannes Janssonius (1588-1664), as a cosmographical supplement to his *Atlas Novus*. Andreas Cellarius had already started working on this atlas before 1647 and intended it to be a historical introduction for a two-volume treatise on cosmography but the second part was never published.

The first edition of the map is scarce on the market, especially in fine original color.

Detailed Condition: