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Stock#: 61705
Map Maker: de Jode
Date: 1593
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 17.5 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Early scarce map of Africa, published by Cornelis De Jode in 1593

De Jode's map is an interesting amalgamation of cartographical sources. The map was prepared for the second edition of the *Speculum Orbis Terrarum*, after his father's death in 1591, replacing his father's map of Africa derived primarily from Gastaldi.

The map retains the continental outline from Gastaldi, with the interior based primarily on Mercator's world map of 1569. This is evident in the river systems, including Sachaf lac as the source of the Zabere (Zembere), Cuama and R. d S. Spirito rivers in southern Africa.

De Jode also relies on Ortelius as a source. For example, the placement of Zanzibar on the southwest coast.

Decorated with ships and sea monsters and representations of the native people scattered across the map.

Detailed Condition:

Minor restoration at centerfold.