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## (Italian East Africa) Africa Orientale Economica

**Stock#:** 62614  
**Map Maker:** Kalchschmidt  
**Date:** 1936  
**Place:** Milan  
**Color:** Color  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 18 x 25 inches  
**Price:** \$495.00



### Description:

#### *Italian Imperial Aspirations in East Africa -- Economic Opportunities*

Detailed, color-printed pictorial wall map of Italian East Africa, published by Officien Grafiche S.A. Parini Vanoni & C. for the Banca Popolare di Milano in 1936, the year the colony was established.

Interesting vintage thematic map poster.

The map focuses on the natural resources, agricultural products, and mineral production opportunities in the region, including:

- Gold & Silver
- Diamonds



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- Petroleum
- Pearls
- Incense
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Wheat
- Tobacco
- Cotton

#### **Italian East Africa**

Italian East Africa was an Italian colony established in 1936, consolidating preexisting Italian territories in East Africa with the newly-conquered Empire of Ethiopia.

As is shown on the map, the Italians quickly assumed the imperial trappings of the Empire of Ethiopia; here Vittorio Emanuele III is called "King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia" and Pietro Badoglio is "Duke of Addis Abeba". These titles were not recognized outside of Italy, Nazi Germany, and Japan.

The map illustrates the subsidiary divisions of the colony: Somalia, Arrar, Galla-Sidamo, Addis-Abeba, Amhara, and Eritrea.

The colony would be expanded in 1940 with the conquest of French Somalia and British Somalia. In 1942, British and South African forces had captured most of the colony, though an Italian guerrilla campaign continued into the next year.

#### **Detailed Condition:**