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## [Cadiz / Columbus's Point of Departure] Gades Ab Occiduis Insulae Partibus

**Stock#:** 64627  
**Map Maker:** Braun & Hogenberg  
**Date:** 1600 circa  
**Place:** Cologne  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** Good  
**Size:** 19.5 x 15 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### *Columbus's Point of Departure*

Important early view of Cadiz, focused on the chapel of San Sebastian in the foreground with the city in the background.

The plate shows Cadiz seen across the narrow peninsula from the Atlantic. In the foreground stands the chapel of St Sebastian. A group of fishermen has been included in order to illustrate the fishing method described in the text. Also visible at the lower edge is the figure of Hercules, the legendary founder of the city, subduing the Nemean Lion - in this instance even two. On the left, as a picture within a picture, Hoefnagel shows crews being enrolled for service on the galleys by the method of casting lots, and subsequently being taken on board. A bastion is included on the right as a symbol of Cadiz's military importance.

The map appeared in Volume 5 of Braun & Hogenberg's *Civitates Orbis Terrarum*.

### Detailed Condition:

Old color. Some abrasion at upper centerfold and evidence of splitting.