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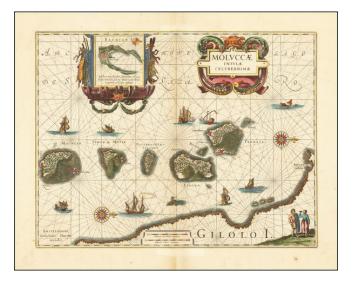
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[Spice Islands] Moluccae Insulae Celeberrimae

Stock#:	64747
Map Maker:	Blaeu
Date:	1640 circa
Place:	Amsterdam
Color:	Hand Colored
Condition:	VG
Size:	19 x 15.5 inches
Price:	SOLD



Description:

Fine hand-colored example of Blaeu's important and highly decorative map of the Spice Islands.

Wonderful, highly decorative cartouche, which many collectors will recognize as the thematic logo for the Miami International Map Fair. The map features a large inset of the Island of Bachian (Batjan) in an elaborate frame as well as a Moluccan couple in the lower right corner in Europeanized native dress. This is indicative of the area's commercial importance.

Blaeu has filled the seas with both European and local ships, two of which are engaged in battle. Sea monsters and decorative compass roses are also shown.

Detailed Condition: Light toning at the centerfold.