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Stock#: 67841
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1574
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 18.5 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A gorgeous old color map of England and Wales, from the 1574 Latin edition of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas of the world. Included are an ornate cartouche and many sailing ships and sea monsters, as well as some sheep grazing in Ireland. The map is based upon Mercator's eight-sheet 1564 wall map of the British Isles as well as Lhuyd's 1596 manuscript map.

The map is attractively designed, showing extensive detail. Many cities and minor towns are named. The few mountain ranges of England and Wales are shown, as are forests. Intriguing is the remote town of Clapham, near Lancaster, which is represented completely surrounded by trees. While this remains one of the (relatively) more secluded parts of England, the hamlet no longer appears to have an encircling forest. The Isles of Scilly are labeled the "Sorlinges insule", which uses the northern European name as its root, and not the true Latin root of Syllingera. Parts of Scotland, France, and Ireland are all also visible on this map.

Detailed Condition:

Fold and parts of top reinforced on back. Some toning and soiling.