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## Arabia

**Stock#:** 67931  
**Map Maker:** Blaeu  
**Date:** 1661  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 20 x 17 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Fine old color example of Johannes Blaeu's map of Arabia, which appeared only in the last 5 editions of Blaeu's *Atlas Maior*, between 1661 and 1672.

Blaeu's map is one of the first maps to show the internal features of the Arabian Peninsula. Mountains are depicted, oases denoted by trees, and points used to indicate pearl deposits in the Arabian Gulf. The map uses dotted lines to show international borders. The Red Sea is denoted by three Latin names: Mare Rubrum (Red Sea), Mare Mecca (Sea of Mecca), and Sinus Arabicus (Gulf of Arabia). A large pictorial cartouche depicting figures and camels and ships.

"Mare Elcatif" is named.

Toponyms all along the coast of Kuwait to the United Arab Emirates are named.

### Detailed Condition: