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## Stockholm

**Stock#:** 70940  
**Map Maker:** Merian  
**Date:** 1638  
**Place:** Frankfurt  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 13 x 8 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Decorative birdseye view of Stockholm from across the harbor, from Merian's *Neuwe Archontologia Cosmica*, published in 1638. Shows buildings, churches, bridges, ships, docks, fortified walls of the city, and the surrounding area. The coat of arms of the country, as well as the name of the city, float above the city and are framed by clouds.

During this period, Sweden was becoming one of the leading powers of Europe, and this is reflected in the expansion and construction of the city. This view preserves Stockholm before significant expansion. The city is mostly limited to the central island of the Stockholm archipelago, though some houses are built on surrounding islands and the mainland. This map shows part of Tre Kronor castle on the left-hand side. This building, along with much of Sweden's archives, was burnt down in 1697.

### Detailed Condition: