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(East Africa) Africae Tabula VIII

Stock#: 75055
Map Maker: Sanuto
Date: 1588
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 21 x 16 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Sanuto's important map of East Africa and the edge of the Arabian Peninsula showing the meeting point between the Red Sea and the Gulf of Aden. This highly decorative map is embellished with numerous sailing ships and stippling in the ocean. This work is from one of the most important 16th-century texts on Africa, Sanuto's uncommon *Geografia*.

The map shows copious detail, with many named regions, rivers, and mountain ranges. The Nile River is shown branching into its White and Blue headwaters. A large forest appears along the Eritrean coastline. Numerous cities, most apparently mythical, are named.

In all, a very decorative and important early map of the region.

Detailed Condition:

Smudged impression.