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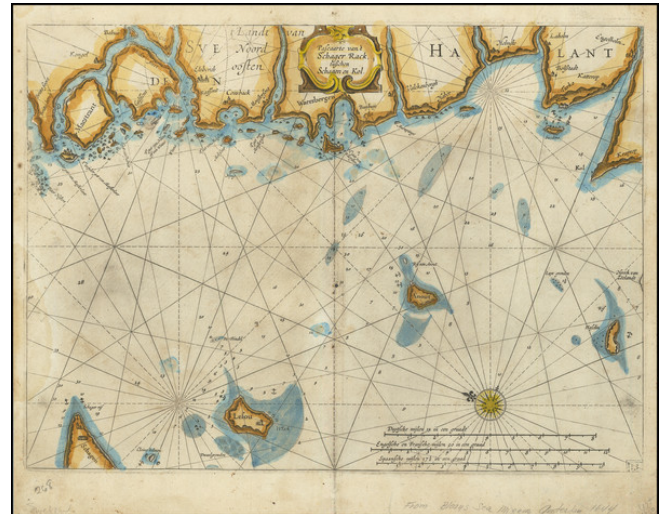
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(Sweden / Gothenberg to Molle) Pascaarte van't Schager Rack, tusschen Schagen en Kol

Stock#: 75331
Map Maker: Blaeu
Date: 1623
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 14 x 10 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Extremely rare sea chart of the southwest coast of Sweden, from Gothenberg to Molle, from Blaeu's *Zeespiegel, Inhoudende Een Karte Onderwijsinghe in de Konst de Zeevaart, en Eene beschrijvinghe der Seekusten van de Oostersche, Noordsche, en Westersche Schipvaart*.

The map is oriented with east at the top.

Blaeu's *Zeespiegel* was one of the most important Rutters or Sea-Atlases of its time. Willem Janszoon Blaeu published two great pilot guides: the first (*Het Licht der Zee-vaart*) was published in various editions and languages between 1608 and 1630. Blaeu's copyright to this work appears to have run out in 1618, and from 1620 Johannes Janssonius was publishing his own versions. Blaeu responded to this threat from his publishing rival by the publishing his *Zeespiegel* in 1623. The work covers much the same coastal regions, but does so in much greater detail, with larger scale maps. The *Zeespiegel* expanded the number of charts to 111 (the *Zee-Vaert* had only 42).

Blaeu's work would become the proto-type of the Dutch pilot-book in the 17th century and went through a number of editions between 1623 and 1652. All editions of the *Zeespiegel* are rare, despite its wide circulation. Their constant use on board ship insuring that few copies survived.

Rarity

The only record for this map listed in OCLC is an example in the National Library of Spain.



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Detailed Condition: