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### Austria e Ungaria Nova Descripcio

**Stock#:** 75425  
**Map Maker:** Bertelli  
**Date:** 1565  
**Place:** Venice  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 17 x 10.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

##### *Rare Lafreri School Map of Austria and Hungary*

A finely-engraved antique map of central Europe by the Venetian cartographer Ferrando Bertelli. This map is the last known derivative of the Domenico Zenoi map of the region, first published in 1559, itself based on the c. 1552-56 Wolfgang Lazius map.

Stretching from Linz in the northwest to Belgrade in the southeast, this map includes a large amount of attractive detail, all engraved in the typical Lafreri School style. The mountains are attractively rounded, cities are shown with individual buildings, usually bursting out of their city walls, and trees are delicately printed. The map focuses on the regions of Austria and Hungary, but also shows parts of Poland and Serbia.

This map traces its cartography back to the important 1552-56 Wolfgang Lazius map of Central Europe, *Regni Hungariae Descriptio Vera*, which would spread in influence throughout Europe, forming the basis of the Ortelius and de Jode mapping of the region. The first Italian derivative of this map was published in 1559 by Domenico Zenoi, and this map was reproduced four further times in Italy. Bertelli produced an earlier version of the map in c. 1560, *Austria e Ungaria*. His *Nova Descripcio* differs from this earlier plate in extending the map slightly further west, showing the city of Linz in full.

#### Detailed Condition:

Trimmed just past neatline. Minor border toning.