



# Barry Lawrence Ruderman Antique Maps Inc.

7407 La Jolla Boulevard  
La Jolla, CA 92037

www.raremaps.com

(858) 551-8500  
blr@raremaps.com

## [Morocco] Africae Tabula III

**Stock#:** 75568  
**Map Maker:** Sanuto  
**Date:** 1588  
**Place:** Venice  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 21 x 16 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Nice example of Sanuto's map of Morocco and the Straits of Gibraltar, from his *Geografia di M Livio Sanuto Distinta in XII Libri ... con XII Tavole di essa Africa in Dissegno di Rame ...*, first published in Venice in 1588.

Livio Sanuto (c.1520-1576), was a Venetian cosmographer, mathematician and maker of terrestrial globes. Sanuto was one of the so-called Lafreri school of engravers, whose output signaled the transition between the maps of Ptolemy and the maps of Mercator and Ortelius.

Livio and his brother Giulio, planned a massive and comprehensive atlas to include maps and descriptions of the whole world, which he believed would be more accurate than any previously published. Unfortunately, he died in 1576 having only completed 12 maps of Africa. The 12 maps were eventually published in 1588 by Livio's brother Giulio, under the title "*Geografia Di M. Livio Sanuto...*".

In the compilation of this and the other African maps, Sanuto relied on Gastaldi's 1564 map and Portuguese sea charts for the mapping of the coasts and for information about the interior, used accounts by Duarte Barbosa and João de Barros. After its publication in 1588, this work was copied by other leading map makers for nearly a century afterwards.

### Detailed Condition: