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## Bohemia Nova Descriptio Tabula XVII

**Stock#:** 77565  
**Map Maker:** Munster  
**Date:** 1552  
**Place:** Basle  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 15 x 11.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Nice example of Sebastian Munster's antique woodblock map of Bohemia, an early map to depict religious affiliation with symbols.

Prague is noted at the center of the map with the characteristic circle of mountains surrounding Bohemia depicted pictorially. Many smaller towns are also noted.

Sebastien Munster is generally regarded as one of the important mapmakers of the 16th Century. Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially taught Hebrew in Heidelberg. He issued his first mapping of Germany in 1529, after which he issued a call for geographical information about Germany to scholars throughout the country. The response was better than hoped for, and included substantial foreign material, which supplied him with up-to-date, if not necessarily accurate maps for the issuance of his *Geographia* in 1540.

### Detailed Condition: