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(Sardinia & Sicily) Eur: VII Tab:

Stock#: 78291
Map Maker: Mercator
Date: 1584
Place: Cologne
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 18.5 x 13 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of Mercator's map of the central Mediterranean, showing the islands of Sicily, Sardinia, and Corsica, as well as part of the Calabrian mainland. This map first appeared in Munster's *Geographia*, and shows a remarkable depiction of the region as it was known in Ptolemy's time.

Mt. Aetna is shown erupting on the island of Sicily. A striking scene of a major naval battle is shown below Sardinia. Several cities, mountain ranges, and rivers are shown, and many small islands are named. Sea monsters can be found throughout.

This example of the map is from a later edition of Mercator's atlas and includes a cartouche updated to reflect late 16th-century sensibilities.

Detailed Condition: