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(Cremona, Italy) Agri Cremonensis Typus

Stock#: Map Maker:	78297 Ortelius
Date:	1584
Place:	Antwerp
Color:	Hand Colored
Condition:	VG
Size:	19.5 x 13.5 inches
Price:	SOLD



Description:

Nice full-color example of Ortelius's map of the region centered on Cremona and the Po River, with a large inset, from Ortelius's *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas of the world.

The map extends all the way to Mantua and Piacenza, and several ornate cartouches pepper the map. The inset map shows the region around Crema, slightly to the north of the main map and following the course of the Serrio and Addua Rivers. The map focuses on a very small area, which is uncommon for the early Ortelius maps.

Regarding the map, Van Den Broecke notes that:

"Antonio Campi (1536-1591 or later) received a privilege for his map of the surroundings of Cremona in 1571. Ortelius's map is based on a manuscript version of this map, which was published in 1583. The inset of Crema goes back to an unidentified source, published by Forlani in 1570."

Two states of the map exist, with the plate having been reworked in 1584 with minor textual changes and a reengraving of hachures.

Detailed Condition:

Latin text on verso. Very minor creasing and soiling at the centerfold. VG to VG+.