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(Saintonge) Carte Du Pais De Xaintonge

Stock#: 78492
Map Maker: Le Clerc
Date: 1612 circa
Place: Paris
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG+
Size: 16.5 x 13 inches
Price: Not Available



Description:

Rare map of the historical region of Saintonge in coastal France, from Jean Le Clerc's very rare atlas of France. This is one of the earliest obtainable maps of the region, produced by the first person to map all of France at a fine scale.

The map shows the region in detail, stretching from the Atlantic Coast at La Rochelle inland to the Poitou region. Many cities and towns are shown, and geographical features such as forests, swamps, rivers, and hills are portrayed in an attractive French School style.

Le Clerc's *Theatre*, in which this piece appeared, sought to complete the project started by Maurice Bougeaurou in his *Le Theatre Francoys*, considered to be the first national atlas of France. However, Bougeaurou's work was spatially incomplete, as he was unable to get data from large parts of the country, and thus Le Clerc continued this project which would not be completed until 1642, after Le Clerc's death.

Detailed Condition:

Nice wide margins. Very minor fold toning.