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Austriae Descrip. Par Wolfganum Lazium

Stock#: 78972
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1598
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 19 x 14 inches
Price: \$ 575.00



Description:

Fine example of Ortelius's map of Austria, based on an important map of Austria by Wolfgang Lazius. This map appeared in Ortelius's *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum*, the first modern atlas ever published.

This decorative regional map of Austria and Hungary follows the Danube from Lintz to Bratislava and extends north to the Teya and south to the region around Graz. The map is highly detailed, with hundreds of cities named, regions denoted in Gothic script, and forests, rivers, mountains, and other geographical regions shown. The map includes a scale bar and a simple cartouche.

The map is drawn from Wolfgang Lazius' *Typi Chorographici Provinciarum Austriae*, printed by Michael Zimmermann in Vienna in 1561, which was intended by Lazius to serve as a geographical work to illustrate his *Commentarii Rerum Austriacarum*, which was never published. Lazius's work is the first printed atlas of Austria.

Lazius' original maps are quite extraordinary, as each is done in an oval or circular frame, mounted against the double-headed Austrian eagle, with wings of the eagle adorned with the coats of arms of each Austrian province.

Detailed Condition: