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Gallia Le Royaume de France

Stock#: 79685 Map Maker: Blaeu

Date: 1640 circaPlace: AmsterdamColor: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 19.5 x 15 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare edition of Blaeu's 1607 map of France, modified by Blaeu for publication in his 1631 *Atlas Appendix*, prior to completion of his updated map of France which appeared thereafter.

The map was first published with border figures in 1607. When Blaeu needed a folio size map of France for his first atlas in 1631, he cut off the borders and a new narrow ornamental frame was engraved along both sides and the upper edge of the map. The map content was extended further to the north and numeral indicating degrees of latitude were added.

The map is the work of the master engraver Josua van den Ende. The map is enhanced by the inclusion of a large title cartouche in the lower left corner, sailing ships, a compass rose and the English royal coat-of-arms above it, plus the German royal coat-of-arms and a small explanation table to the right margin.

Detailed Condition: