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[Holy Roman Empire] *Germania universa, Europae totius Regio longe florentissima per Heilrichum Zellium. . .*

Stock#: 81051
Map Maker: de Jode
Date: 1578
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 19.5 x 15 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Finely colored example of Gerard de Jode's map of the Holy Roman Empire, engraved by Johannes van Deutecum and Lucas van Deutecum.

Published in De Jode's rare first atlas of 1578, the map was originally drawn from a map produced in 1542 as part of a collaboration between Heinrich Zell and Nicolaus Copernicus.

The map is drawn from a separately published map of the same region, first issued by Gerard De Jode in 1562, which in turn was based on a map designed by Heinrich Zell and published in Strasbourg in 1560, based upon an original map of 1542. The map highlights at its center the Kingdom of Bohemia, the favored location of Rudolf II, who had become Holy Roman Emperor in 1576, although the court would not be moved to Prague until 1583.

This is the second state of 2, with the privilege added, Johannes van Deutecum's surname changed to "dutecum" and designation "Suidbevelant" added.

Heinrich Zell

Heinrich Zell was a German printer and mapmaker, and a student of Sebastian Münster. In collaboration with Nicolaus Copernicus, Zell produced the first geostatic map of the Prussian coastline and the first map of Prussia, drawn in 1542. Zell incorporated Ermland (Warmia) records of Prussian towns in this detailed and until then unaccomplished task.



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