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[Italy] Italia Mit Den Dreyen Furnempften Inseln / Corsica / Sardinia / und Sicilia

Stock#: 81272
Map Maker: Munster
Date: 1550 circa
Place: Basel
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 13 x 10.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the Earliest Obtainable Modern Maps of Italy

Scarce example of Sebastian Munster's modern map of Italy, one of the earliest obtainable modern maps of Italy not based on Ptolemy, first published in 1540.

The map includes Sicily, Corsica, Sardinia and the contiguous Adriatic coastline.

Munster dominated cartographic publication during the mid-16th Century. Munster is generally regarded as one of the important map makers of the 16th Century. Munster was a linguist and mathematician, who initially taught Hebrew in Heidelberg. He issued his first mapping of Germany in 1529, after which he issued a call geographical information about Germany to scholars throughout the country. The response was better than hoped for, and included substantial foreign material, which supplied him with up to date, if not necessarily accurate maps for the issuance of his *Geographia* in 1540.

Rarity

While Munster's maps were published for many decades, the first two editions are rare on the market.

Detailed Condition: