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## Percici sive Sophorum Regni Tipus

**Stock#:** 82542  
**Map Maker:** Ortelius / Marchetti  
**Date:** 1598 circa  
**Place:** Brescia  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 4.5 x 5 inches  
**Price:** \$ 175.00



### Description:

A fine and interesting 16th-century miniature map of Persia and the surrounding region, published in Marchetti's Italian edition of the Ortelius-Galle pocket atlas. The map stretches from a flattened Caspian Sea down to the Persian Gulf. Italian text appears below the map and on the verso.

Throughout, cities and rivers are shown, although some of these are mythical. The geography shown is a reduction of Ortelius's [folio-sized map](#), which itself draws from an early 1567 Ortelius map of Asia and the Gastaldi 1564 map of Asia Minor.

Ortelius's *Epitome* was an interesting side project to his folio-sized *Theatrum*. The first pocket-sized Ortelius atlas appeared in 1577, published by Peter Heyns and with maps by Philippe Galle. In 1589, the name *Epitome* was introduced to the series. Vrients acquired the plates in the earliest 17th century, as he did with much of Ortelius's stock, and he published a number of editions. Several copied editions of



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Ortelius's pocket atlas appeared throughout Europe, including in Marchetti's Italian-language edition.

**Detailed Condition:**

Loss of blank paper in lower right corner. Copperplate somewhat askew on sheet.