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## (Virginia Indians: Their Seething of Their Meat in Earthen Pots) Fictilium vasorum in quibus cibum coquunt forma XV

**Stock#:** 84372  
**Map Maker:** De Bry  
**Date:** 1590  
**Place:** Frankfurt  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 8.5 x 11.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

#### *Virginia Indians Cooking Over a Fire.*

Fine copperplate engraving showing Theodore De Bry's version of John White's painting of two American Indians cooking over a fire. In the center of the image, a large pot full of food stands on wooden planks in a fire, with smoke rising from around its edges. The Indian on the left stands holding a utensil. The Indian on the right kneels next to the fire, fanning the flames.

In 1585, Governor John White was part of a voyage from England to the Outer Banks of North Carolina under a plan by Sir Walter Raleigh to settle "Virginia." White was at Roanoke Island for about thirteen months before returning to England for more supplies. During this period he made a series of over seventy



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watercolor drawings of indigenous people, plants, and animals. The purpose of his drawings was to give those back home an accurate idea of the inhabitants and environment in the New World.

The earliest images derived from White's original drawings were made in 1590, when Theodor De Bry made engravings from White's drawings to be printed in Thomas Hariot's account of the journey. Hariot, a mathematician, had also been part of the 1585 voyage.

**Detailed Condition:**

Minor soiling.