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A Mapp of the Kingdome of Dennmarke With Its Severall Dioceses or Provinces . . . 1667

Stock#: 85536
Map Maker: Blome

Date: 1667
Place: London
Color: Hand Colored
Condition:
Size: 16 x 12 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Richard Blome's scarce map of Denmark, Norway and the Western Baltic, the earliest folio sized map of Scandinavia to be engraved in England.

While Speed's atlas was published prior to Blome, the plates were printed in Amsterdam. The map demonstrates the naïve engraving style characteristic of 17th Century English engravers, and features an elaborate heraldic cartouche and a dedication to George, Lord Berkley.

Includes an ornate cartouche, and many ships and sea monsters.

Blome's maps, because of their rarity and importance in the history of English cartography, are essential items for regional collectors. Blome first began engraving maps for his *Geographical Description Of The Four Parts Of The World* in 1667. The completed volume was in small folio, and contained 24 maps (plus one duplicated), engraved by Francis Lamb, Thomas Burnford and Wenceslas Hollar, who engraved this map.

Blome's principal handicap in the production of the atlas was the lack of a domestic mapmaking environment comparable with that in Europe. Also, to finance his work, he undertook subscribers in exchange for a promise to add their coat of arms to certain maps. In later editions, if the renewal fee was not paid, Blome added a different subscribers coat of arms, leading to multiple images on various editions of the same map.

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