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[Britannicarum Insularum Vetus Descriptio] Reliqua Britannicarum. Orcades, Aebudae, &c.

Stock#: 87564
Map Maker: Ortelius
Date: 1590
Place:
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 19 x 14.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The lower-half of Ortelius's rarest atlas map of the British Isles and Ireland published only between 1590 and 1592, with some remainder copies issued in 1602.

The map shows Ireland in full as well as England and Wales. Cities, rivers, forests, and more are named throughout. Decorative elements abound, the most impressive of which is a magnificent ship in the upper right of the map. The map was issued alongside a top sheet that shows Scotland.

The map was most likely engraved by Jan Wierix for Ortelius's *Parergon*. This example of the map was issued in 1590, as identifiable from the Latin text on the verso.

Rarity

This map was only printed in about 710 examples, across all states of the map. It is one of the rarer Ortelius maps and this is the first time we have offered it for sale.

Detailed Condition:

Original hand-color in image. Latin text on verso. Toning and foxing. Margins painted black, somewhat affecting the image. Some restorations to margin and a small region of Ireland. Fair to Good.