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## (Armenia, Georgia, Turkey, etc.) Asiae III Tab:

**Stock#:** 89179  
**Map Maker:** Mercator  
**Date:** 1584  
**Place:** Cologne  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 18 x 14 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



### Description:

Beautifully hand-colored example of Mercator's map of Armenia, Georgia, eastern Turkey, and southern Russia, from the Mercator's *Geographia*, first published in 1578 and republished in Amsterdam beginning in 1695. This map is from the 1584 edition, as identified by the elaborate cartouche on the right-hand side of the map and the text on verso. A sea monster is identifiable in the Black sea.

The map is highly detailed, with numerous cities, mountain ranges, rivers, and more all shown. The map is centered on Armenia, with Mesopotamia and Assyria also named in the south of the map.

Gerard Mercator published his edition of Ptolemy's maps as an intended companion text to his *Atlas of the Modern World*. His plates would be later reworked in the 1695 edition. In the later edition of this map, a new cartouche would be substituted containing a second title.

### Detailed Condition: