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Malaga

Stock#: 91578
Map Maker: Braun & Hogenberg
Date: 1572 circa
Place: Cologne
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Good
Size: 18.75 x 4.75 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

A detailed rendering of the Spanish city, this map of Malaga is a noteworthy piece from Braun & Hogenberg's city atlas, created around 1572 in Cologne. With its intricate detail and captivating commentary, the map offers an informative glimpse into the urban life of 16th-century Malaga.

The map and its accompanying text reflect a city enriched by commerce, particularly in its well-regarded wines and decorated earthenware. Braun's commentary also highlights Malaga's strategic importance to the King of Spain, who maintained an arsenal in the city. These observations situate Malaga within the broader context of 16th-century Spanish trade and politics.

The geographical precision of the map is complemented by an elaborate cartouche text that provides a historical background of the city. It mentions Malaga's founding by the Phoenicians and its status as a significant bishopric, lending a sense of historical depth to the map.

Though originally part of a folio sheet featuring two more images, this single depiction of Malaga stands as an impressive piece of Braun & Hogenberg's cartographic oeuvre. Its blend of precise mapping, engaging commentary, and historical context makes it an informative artifact of 16th-century Malaga.

Detailed Condition:

Cut from a larger sheet, which normally has two more views. With remnants of mounting tape at the edges on the verso.