Wirtenberg Ducatus Accurata descriptio; in qu omnia eius Opida Monasteria pagi nemora . . .

Stock#:	93861
Map Maker:	Ortelius
Date:	1587
Place:	Antwerp
Color:	Hand Colored
Condition:	VG+
Size:	17 x 15 inches
Price:	SOLD

Description:

Nice example Abraham Ortelius's meticulous depiction of the Duchy of Württemberg, a historical territory in southwestern Germany.

During the 16th century, cartography experienced a renaissance, with Abraham Ortelius playing a prominent role in its development. His groundbreaking work, the *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum,* was the first modern atlas, published in 1570. Over the next 42 years, the atlas was expanded and re-issued, becoming one of the most influential printed works of the 16th Century.

Ortelius' map of Württemberg offers a comprehensive representation of the duchy's topographical features, such as its mountain ranges, rivers, forests, and cities. The map shows the Neckar River as it snakes through the region, highlighting the strategic importance of its waterways for trade and transportation.

The map also includes a number of important cities, such as Stuttgart, Tübingen, and Heidelberg, along with their respective fortifications, demonstrating the region's military significance during the tumultuous 16th century.

The map captures a critical moment in the history of Württemberg. During the 16th century, the region underwent significant changes due to the Protestant Reformation. The map serves as a vital historical record of the duchy during this transformative period, illustrating the shifting religious, political, and

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social landscape, offering a rare glimpse into the region's pre-Reformation religious geography.

Detailed Condition: