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Stock#: 94183
Map Maker: Jansson
Date: 1640 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 19 x 15 inches
Price: \$ 975.00



Description:

Stunningly detailed map of Brazil, produced by the esteemed cartographers Hondius and Jansson.

Oriented with west at the top, the map depicts the landscape of Brazil with an impressive degree of accuracy and an artistic touch that demonstrates the skilled craftsmanship of the mapmakers.

The map's primary focus is on the coastal and riverine regions, reflecting the major sea routes and ports that were pivotal to the European exploration and colonization during the period, as well as some limited knowledge of the upriver country. It is adorned with intricate rhumb lines that crisscross the contiguous sea, guiding the eye towards the vastness of the sea, and suggesting the navigational paths followed by the seafarers of the time.

Two inset maps, Baia de Todos Sanctos and Olinda de Pernambuco, are included, each offering a detailed view of these important regions. The insets are meticulously rendered, offering a closer look at the harbors, coastlines, and topographical features.

The map is decorated with a series of engaging vignettes that depict scenes of indigenous life. These vignettes, rich in their representation of local customs and daily life, provide fascinating insights into the native cultures of Brazil during the time of European contact.

Sailing ships are scattered across the ocean, adding a dynamic element that imbues the map with a sense of the bustling maritime activity of the era. These vessels, varying in size and design, evoke the adventurous spirit of the explorers, traders, and colonizers who traversed these waters.



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Detailed Condition: