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## Prussia Et Livonia Nova

**Stock#:** 59426  
**Map Maker:** Gastaldi  
**Date:** 1548  
**Place:** Venice  
**Color:** Uncolored  
**Condition:** VG+  
**Size:** 6.5 x 5 inches  
**Price:** \$ 750.00



### Description:

#### *One of the Earliest Obtainable Modern Maps of the Baltic Region*

Nice example of Gastaldi's map of the region bounded by the Vistula River and Prussia in the west, Livonia in the east, and Lithuania in the southeast.

The map is centered on Riga and Vilna, with Warsaw at the lower left corner.

Giacomo Gastaldi is considered as the foremost Italian cartographer of the 16th century along with Paolo Forlani. From Piedmont, Gastaldi established his reputation in Venice and was cosmographer to the Republic of Venice. Gastaldi enjoyed a productive relationship with Giovanni Ramusio, Secretary of the Venice Senate, who used Gastaldi's maps for his *Navigazioni et Viaggi*. This map is from Gastaldi's edition of Ptolemy, *Ptolemeo. La Geografia...*, begun as early as 1542 and published in Venice in 1548.

### Detailed Condition:

Crisp, dark impression.