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Novissima Totius Terrarum Orbis Tabula Auctore Ioanned De Ram

Stock#: 25655 Map Maker: De Ram

Date: 1683

Place: Amsterdam Colored Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 22.5 x 18 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Rare finely engraved double hemisphere map of the World, published by Johannes De Ram in Amsterdam.

De Ram's world map is known to have appeared in a few examples of Van Keulen's *Zee Atlas* of 1683 and De Ram's extremely rare atlases, beginning in 1685. As noted by Shirley:

The map has quite exceptional surrounds to the two standard hemispheres with, at the top, a tempestuous vista of the gods and goddesses of Greek mythology in the heavens. An even more complex panorama unfolds below with groups of allegorical figures and animals representing the continents; between them Neptune commands his maritime domain.

... The title-page of De Ram's own atlas is ... engraved in the distinctive style of, and signed by, Jacob Harrewyn. The world map is almost certainly by the same hand and stands as a splendid engraving which could hang beside any master print of the baroque period . . .

The map is of the utmost rarity, with only two appearances in dealer catalogues and one appearance at auction in the past 30 years.

Detailed Condition:

Old Color. Minor restorations and reinforcements on the verso, to support thin spots. A few minor marginal tears, just entering the printed image. A bit of extra creasing.