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### Sevilla

**Stock#:** 49227  
**Map Maker:** Braun & Hogenberg  
**Date:** 1588  
**Place:** Cologne  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 19 x 13 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

Detailed plan of Sevilla, from Part IV Braun & Hogenberg's *Civitatus Orbis Terrarum*, the most important book of town plans and views published in the 16th Century.

Fine bird's-eye view plan of Seville with a key to 40 locations.

The following is translated from the original text on the verso:

*This is a renowned city in the province of Hispania Baetica, situated on the Gulf of Cadiz, with a round shape and a large number of fine houses. It is the most important trade city in all Spain, and incredible quantities of goods from all parts of the world, but especially from India, arrive here. For the Sevillians have become so successful in trade that they have been granted the privilege above all others that no ship may sail to India without first coming here to take on board trade goods, war equipment, guns, provisions and soldiers and everything that is needed for such a voyage, in the name of the Spanish King. This also applies to ships arriving from India, [...] they must also moor in this city and offer their goods for sale here.*

*This is a bird's-eye view from the southwest of the city, built in a semicircular shape beside the Guadalquivir. The only tall building - which dwarfs the houses around it - is the cathedral, in its day the biggest in the world. In the left foreground, on this side of the river, the Castillo can be identified. The source of the city's wealth is indicated by the many ships that have come from the sea and moored in the harbour. The aqueduct in the upper right-hand corner is a reference to the city's Roman origins.*



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