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Ancona

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Map Maker: Duchetti / Brambilla
Date: 1585
Place: Rome
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.8 x 13 inches
Price: \$ 1,800.00



Description:

Rare Lafreri School plan of Ancona, engraved by Ambrogio Brambilla and published by Claudio Duchetti in Rome.

The map is oriented with west at the top and shows the fortified harbor and town of Ancona, with elegantly engraved ships and seas. The key at the bottom locates nearly 100 points of interest, using both numbers and letters in the key.

While unnamed, the Jewish Ghetto of Ancona along the waterfront is shown, to the south of Monte Guasco (Y in the image).

Ancona

Ancona became a maritime Republic after 1000, ruled by six Elders, who were locally elected. Ancona finally lost its independence in 1532, when it became part of the Papal States under Clement VII.

The map also captures the city shortly after it became one of last three cities where Jews were allowed to live in the Papal States, along with Rome and Avignon in southern France, after *Hebraeorum gens sola* of 1569. The Jewish community, which at the time numbered about 2700, was restricted to their ghetto, which had been built in 1555, Ancona having had an important Jewish community since the 10th Century.

States of the Map and Rarity

- State 1: Dated 1585
- State 2: Orlandi imprint and date of 1602 added.



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