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Stock#: 94315
Map Maker: Ruscelli
Date: 1574
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 9.5 x 7 inches
Price: \$ 245.00



Description:

One of the Earliest Obtainable Maps of Modern France.

Ruscelli's map of modern France represents an epoch where the shift from Ptolemaic to modern cartography was taking place. Ruscelli's inclusion of more modern geographical knowledge, highlights the ongoing process of knowledge accumulation and refinement that was a defining aspect of the Renaissance.

Ruscelli's Atlas is an expanded edition of Gastaldi's Atlas of 1548, which has been called the most comprehensive atlas produced between Martin Waldseemüller's *Geographiae* of 1513, and the Abraham Ortelius *Theatrum* of 1570. Ruscelli and Gastaldi's maps were beautifully engraved on copper, marking a turning point in the history of cartography. From that point forward, the majority of cartographic works used this medium. As it was a harder material than wood it gave the engraver the ability to render more detail. Gastaldi sought the most up-to-date geographical information available, making the modern maps in Ruscelli's *Geographia* among the best modern maps of the period.

Detailed Condition: