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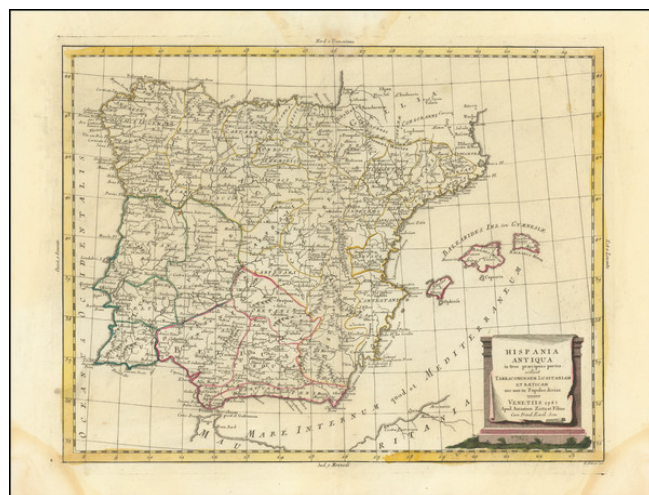
Hispania Antiqua in tres praecipuas partes scilicet Tarraconen sem Lusitaniam et Baeticam nec non in Populos divisa . . . 1785

Stock#:	97957
Map Maker:	Zatta
Date:	1785
Place:	Venice
Color:	Outline Color
Condition:	VG
Size:	16 x 12.5 inches
Price:	$ 175.00

Description:

Detailed map of the Iberian Peninsula and the Balearic Isles at the time of the Roman Empire.

Zatta's map provides a cartographic representation of the Iberian Peninsula that delineates its division into three main Roman provinces: Tarraconensis, Lusitania, and Baetica. Published in Venice, this map serves as a record of the 18th-century Enlightenment interest in antiquity. Its detailing of ancient divisions and settlements offers a glimpse into the Classical understanding of geography superimposed upon the cartographic advancements of the late 18th century.

Historically, the late 18th century was a period of burgeoning interest in the study of antiquities, fueled by the intellectual currents of the Enlightenment. While the focus was often directed towards the ancient cultures of Greece and Rome, there was also an increasing interest in the Classical divisions of European territories.

The map strives for accuracy in the representation of the Roman provinces, a feat not trivial during a period when archaeological methods were far from standardized. It demarcates the boundaries of Tarraconensis, Lusitania, and Baetica and includes significant geographical features and ancient place names.

From Zatta's monumental Altante Novissimo, one of the last great decorative atlases of the 18th Century.

Detailed Condition:

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