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## A New Description of the Shyres Lothian and Linlitquo. Be T. Pont

**Stock#:** 98023  
**Map Maker:** Hondius  
**Date:** 1633 circa  
**Place:** Amsterdam  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 14.5 x 21 inches  
**Price:** \$ 395.00



### Description:

#### *From The First Systematic Survey of Scotland*

Detailed map of part of Southeastern Scotland, centered on Edinburgh, based upon the surveys of Timothy Pont.

The 17th century was a period of great cartographic exploration and documentation, with the Low Countries emerging as the epicenter of map-making technology and craft. Timothy Pont, a Scottish minister and cartographer, was instrumental in surveying Scotland during the late 16th and early 17th centuries. His work represented the first systematic attempt to detail the Scottish landscape, an endeavor that offered both geographical and sociopolitical insights during a volatile period of Scottish history.

One of the prominent geographical features on this map is the Firth of Forth, a significant estuary that opens into the North Sea, situated to the north of Edinburgh. The Firth was a vital maritime route, influencing trade, military strategy, and regional politics. Its detailed depiction on the map indicates the level of maritime knowledge available at the time and reflects the strategic importance of the waterway for the kingdom of Scotland.

Includes two decorative cartouches and a dedication with coat of arms, along with a compass rose and sailing ships.

### Detailed Condition:

French text on verso.