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## Africae Accurata Tabula ex officina Nic. Visscher

Stock#: 0829 Map Maker: Visscher I

**Date:** 1680

Place: Amsterdam Colored Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG+

**Size:** 21 x 17 inches

Price: SOLD



## **Description:**

Striking original color example of Visscher's map of Africa. The map illustrates the European view of Africa at the end of the 17th Century, filled with mythical towns, rivers, and mountains and continues to reflect the Ptolemaic view of Africa. A title cartouche in upper ight is surrounded by two Africans, one holding a scorpion and the other a cornucopia. An elaborate dedication in lower left to the Dutchman, Gerard Schaep, is surrounded by Neptune and mermaids. The blank spaces are filled with African Animals and the sea full of sailing vessels, flying fish, etc. Visscher's maps of Africa were of excellent content and quality and were widely copied by contempary map makers. Tooley, p. 119-120 . Norwich, # 55.

## **Detailed Condition:**