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Totius Africae Accuratissima Tabula . . .

Stock#: 15152
Map Maker: De Wit
Date: 1680
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG-
Size: 22.5 x 19 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

First state of this decorative map of Africa in original color. The map became the standard for subsequent maps of Africa, and was reissued with minor changes by Danckerts, De Ram, Visscher and others, over next 30 years. There are a number of notable deep inlets on the southeast coast. The large lakes and numerous rivers are also of note. The origin of the Nile is based upon Ptolemy. The kingdom of Monomotapa comes down as far as the Rio de Infante. There are few names in the interior of the Cape. Decorative title cartouche and a number of animal vignettes within the map. The present example has been backed on archival paper, to support the weak areas where the color has oxidized the paper and caused cracking. There is some loss within the cartouche and near the centerfold, but the loss does not significantly detract from the overall appearance of the map. Normally a \$1500 map.

Detailed Condition: