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## Novissima et Accuratissima Totius Americae Descriptio per N. Visscher

Stock#: 30131 Map Maker: Visscher I

Date: 1658 (1677 ca)
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored

**Condition:** VG

**Size:** 21 x 17.5 inches

**Price:** SOLD



## **Description:**

Attractive example of Visscher's famous map of the Western Hemisphere, showing California as an Island and a small slice of New Zealand at the lower left corner, next to the title cartouche.

The map includes California as an Island, one Great Lake, conjectural Northwest Passage, Straits on Anian, and rich illustration in the interior of North And South America, along with nearly a dozen ships at se and two rich cartouches. California appears in the Briggs model, unlike later copies of the map by DeWit and others, who used the Sanson Model.

The majority of the cartographic details derive from Visscher's map derives from Joan Blaeu's wall map of the world, published in 1648. The map includes a dedication cartouche to Nicolas Witsen, the Mayor of Amsterdam and driving force behind many voyages of commerce and discovery at the time.

The present example is the second edition of Visscher's map, including the privilege in the lower right corner.

## **Detailed Condition:**

Minor tear at left margin, just entering printed image at bottom right corner.