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Turkish Map of America (Decorative Manuscript Map)

Stock#: 33218gm **Map Maker:** Anonymous

Date: 1975 circaPlace: Istanbul?Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 16 x 13 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative manuscript map of America, based upon Sebastian Munster's map but also showing California as an island, with decorative embellishments.

Maps of this type are typically hand drawn for tourists in Istanbul, using old paper which frequently includes earlier manuscript writing in Turkish.

While made to appear old, the maps are in fact modern tourist curiosities, but beautifully excecuted and certainly beautiful objects. For an example of the earliest map of America printed in the Ottoman Empire and a brief essay on early map printing in the Ottoman Empire, click here: {{ inventory detail link('29971') }}

Detailed Condition:

Centerfold damage, which was probably present when the map was drawn.