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Nova Totius Terrarum Orbis Nautica

Stock#: 41795
Map Maker: De Wit / Longhi
Date: 1680 circa
Place: Bologna
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: Fair
Size: 49.5 x 74 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Unrestored example of the Giuseppe Longhi 12-sheet wall map of the world, published in Bologna circa 1675.

The map is drawn from Frederick De Wit's 12-sheet World map of 1660 (Shirley 422). De Wit's map was redrawn by Giuseppi Longhi in Bologna, circa 1680 and engraved by Carlo Scotti. It is possible that this is the same set of 12 sheets previously issued by Giovanni de Rossi in Rome in 1675 (one known example), but there are significant decorative revisions and the study of the map undertaken by Shirley showed no signs of erasures on the Longhi signed map.

The Longhi is significantly revised from the De Wit, including significant cartographic revisions including the addition of the Terra Iesso coastline between Japan and California in the North Pacific and the depiction of the Antarctic Coastline. The decorative embellishments have also been modified from De Wit and Rossi's editions, most notably, the replacement of the bust in the lower center below the hemispheres has been replaced with an armillary sphere.

Detailed Condition:

12 sheets, joined. Manuscript title. Original image of wall map acquired in 2015 and restored by mp.