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Soria E Terra Sancta Nova Tabula (shows Cyprus)

Stock#: 44557
Map Maker: Gastaldi
Date: 1548
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 6.5 x 5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of the earliest obtainable modern maps of the Holy Land and Cyprus, published by Giacomo Gastaldi in Venice.

Gastaldi's maps are considered important early maps for regional collectors. The map shows the Arabian Peninsula, Persian Gulf, Red Sea, Straits of Hormuz and part of the Indian Ocean.

Giacomo Gastaldi was one of the most important Italian mapmakers of the early 16th Century. His set of maps for the 1548 edition of the 'Geographia' are among the earliest examples of his work, in a long and distinguished career. This edition was the first pocket-sized edition. Despite being prepared on a small format, the maps are clearly and attractively engraved. Gastaldi was the first to add regional maps of the American continent, with important maps of the eastern seaboard, a map of what is now the southern United States, of South America, and separate maps of Cuba and Hispaniola. Gastaldi published only a single edition, but his maps were copied by Girolomo Ruscelli for over 50 years.

Detailed Condition:

Several minor printer's creases.