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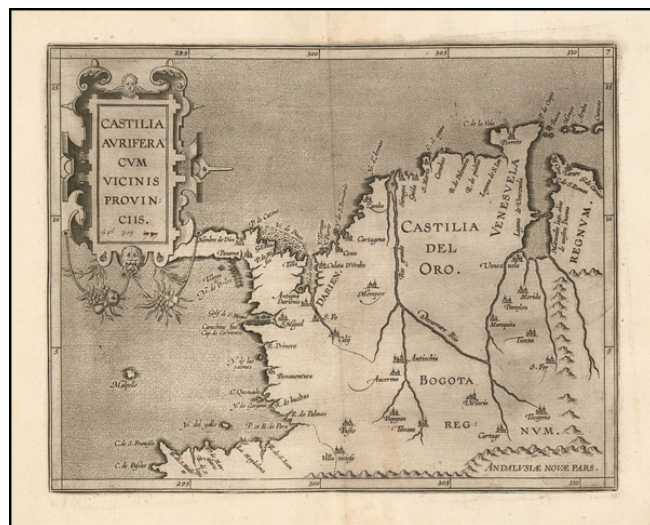
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(First Map of Colombia) Castilia Aurifera Cum Vicinis Provinciis

Stock#: 52465
Map Maker: Wytfliet
Date: 1597 circa
Place: Louvain
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 12.5 x 13.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

The First Map of Colombia

Striking example of Cornelis Wytfliet's map of Colombia, Panama and Venezuela, one of the earliest obtainable maps of the region.

The map appeared in Wytfliet's *Descriptionis Ptolemaicae Augmentum*, the first atlas to focus on the mapping of the New World.

The map extends south to Popoyan, Bogata and Cartago.

In 1597 Cornelis van Wytfliet published his *Augmentum* to Ptolemy's *Geography*. The purpose was to provide a systematic description of the Americas, a part of the world unknown to Ptolemy. Wytfliet dedicates his work to Philip III of Spain. The book is a history of the New World to date, recording its discovery, natural history, etc. Wytfliet includes nineteen maps, one of the world and eighteen regional maps of the Americas.

Detailed Condition:

Minor annotations.