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### Nueva Hispania Tabula Nova

**Stock#:** 53605  
**Map Maker:** Ruscelli  
**Date:** 1574  
**Place:** Venice  
**Color:** Hand Colored  
**Condition:** VG  
**Size:** 10 x 7.5 inches  
**Price:** SOLD



#### Description:

#### ***One of the Earliest Obtainable Maps of Florida, Texas, the Gulf Coast and the American Southwest***

Colored example of Ruscelli's regional map of the Southern half of the United States and Mexico, including Florida and Texas.

Ruscelli's map is an enlarged version of Giacomo Gastaldi's map of 1548, except that the Yucatan is no longer shown as an Island. It is the second earliest obtainable map of the Southern half of the US. Not until Wyfliet's maps of 1597 would a better regional representation appear in a printed map. R. Spiritu Santu appears (Mississippi River). California is shown as a Peninsula. The R. Tontonteanco is either the Gila or the Colorado River. Florida and Cuba are named. The placenames reflect the explorations of Pineda, Cabeza de Vaca, and Moscosso.

Perhaps the most influential map of the southwest during the 16th Century.

#### Detailed Condition: