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Iaponiae Nova Descriptio [Korea as an Island]

Stock#: 56910
Map Maker: Jansson
Date: 1636 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 18 x 14 inches
Price: \$1,900.00



Description:

Nice example of Jansson's map of Japan and Korea, shown here as an island, with decorative cartouches, sailing ships, and sea monster.

This finely engraved map is based on Texiera's map of Japan, the first separate map of Japan published in Europe, based upon Texiera's work as a Portuguese Missionary in the middle part of the 16th century. Jansson's work is graphic evidence of the significant decrease of European contact with Japan in the early 17th century.

In this elegantly designed re-issue of the Mercator/Hondius map, Jansson has re-worked all of the ornamental elements, even reversing the direction of the highly detailed European vessel in the top center, but retaining all of the cartographic details from the 1606 edition.

A marvelous depiction of one of earliest maps of Japan to appear in a European Atlas.

Detailed Condition: