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Americae Descrip [with English text!]

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Hondius - Mercator
1635
1000
Amsterdam
Hand Colored
VG+
8 x 6 inches
SOLD



Description:

Scarce early map of America, which includes English text on the verso, which appeared in the Mercator Hondius *Atlas Minor*.

The most noteworthy feature on the map is the unusual Northwest Coast of America, which pre-dates Hondiu's revision of the map to include a more definitive Northwest Passage near Quivira. The map extends westward nearly to the Asian Coast, with just a narrow Strait of Anian between. No Great Lakes are shown. Usual projections for California and Florida. Sivola is named in the west. Large Terra Australis Incognita still appears, connected to New Guinea.

A terrific early map of the Western Hemisphere. Includes Sea Monsters and sailing ships. Nice early treatment of Nova Guinea and the Solomon Islands. Massive Terra Australis dominates the Southern Hemisphere.

Detailed Condition:

English text on verso.