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Britannia prout divisa fuit temporibus ANGLO-SAXONUM, praefertim durante illorum HEPTARCHIA

Stock#: 61110
Map Maker: Jansson
Date: 1640 circa
Place: Amsterdam
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 21.5 x 16.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Decorative Map of the Saxon Heptarchy

Decorative map of the British Isles, showing the Saxon Kingdoms of Britain in the 5th to 6th Centuries.

Jansson's Saxon Heptarchy map is drawn directly from Joan Blaeu's map of the same title published in 1645, but can be readily distinguished from Blaeu's map by the addition of 3 compass roses, rhumb lines and sailing ships. Blaeu in turn based his map upon a John Speed's map of 1611, which incorporates the two sets of vignettes on either side of the map, showing historical scenes in Saxon history between 456 and 662 A.D. The vignettes have been completely redone by a Dutch engraver and are in the grand style of contemporary Dutch paintings.

One of the most decorative and sought after atlas maps of Great Britain published in the 17th Century.

Detailed Condition:

Old color. Minor offsetting.