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(The Seasonality of the Sun) Solis Circa Orbem Terrarum Spiralis Revolutio

Stock#: 61243 **Map Maker:** Cellarius

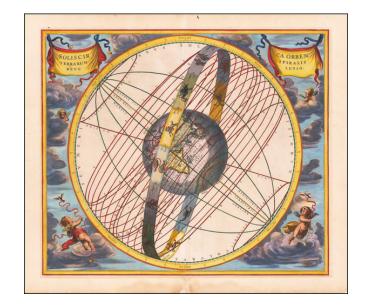
Date: 1660

Place: Amsterdam Colored Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 20×17 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Nice example of Cellarius's chart illustrating the path of the sun's annual rotation around the earth, from the northern tropic to the southern.

The band of the zodiac is included, with names and symbols of the various signs of the zodiac, surrounded by cherubs and other embellishments. This work appeared in his *Harmonia Macrocosmica*, a magnificent collection of star charts and plans of the Solar System. This is a simple projection of the Earth-centered on the Old World, which attempts to show a spiraling-upwards trend of the Sun's orbit around the moon. A series of twelve spirals, going up and down, represent how the Sun slowly tracks upwards and downwards as the months progress. Surrounding the map are cherubs and an attractively-colored cloudy scene.

Detailed Condition:

Light marginal / mat toning along the bottom edge. Otherwise very good.