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La Ville De Florence

Stock#: 63585
Map Maker: De Belleforest
Date: 1575
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 14.5 x 11 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Scarce early plan of Florence, published in Paris by De Belleforest.

In 1544, the scholar and geographer Sebastian Munster published his *Cosmographia*, one of the most important and influential works of its type in the 16th century. In 1575, the Paris publisher Francois de Belleforest issued a French edition of the work which included this spectacular woodcut view of Florence.

Rather than reproducing Munster's view, Belleforest compiled and engraved this much larger scale, more detailed and embellished version, based on his own knowledge of the city, its layout and monuments.

One of the best obtainable 16th-century plans of Florence.

Detailed Condition: