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Irlandiae Accurata Descriptio Auctore Baptista Boazio

Stock#: 64235
Map Maker: Ortelius / Vrients
Date: 1609
Place: Antwerp
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size: 22.5 x 17 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Fine example of the Ortelius/Vrients edition of Baptista Boazio's remarkable map of Ireland, engraved by Elstrach and published by Sudbury in 1599.

Decorative map of Ireland with north oriented to the right. The Island is divided into the four provinces of Ulster, Connaught, Leinster and Munster with counties delineated by dotted line. It is filled with pictorial depictions of the forests and topography and the location of cities, towns and major landowners. A table to the left deciphers the Irish names relating to geographical features and residents, noting that the presence of *O* before a name indicates *Caput familiae*, or the head of the family, and *Mc* before a name indicates a *Territorium fillii Satrapae*, a region dominated by one related family. The sea is teeming with sea monsters and a pair of elegantly engraved ships, one of them aflame. A man in a curragh waving a trident is shown in the upper right near the dedication cartouche, and three other elaborate strapwork cartouches further adorn the map.

Boazio's of Ireland is one of the maps added by Joannes Baptista Vrients when he took over publication of Ortelius' *Theatrum Orbis Terrarum* after Ortelius' death.

Detailed Condition:

Small restored tear at lower centerfold just affecting image. Narrow margins, with some loss reinstated, as frequently the case.