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Carte Generale De L'Italie Et des Isles et Pays Circonvoisins Nouvellement Dressee apres Magin & autres auteurs . . . 1640

Stock#: 67631
Map Maker: Tavernier
Date: 1640
Place: Paris
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG
Size:
Price: SOLD



Description:

A rare map of Italy by Melchior Tavernier, which appeared in Pierre D'Avity's *Nouveau Theatre Du Monde*. The map shows Italy and the surrounding area in detail, with all major rivers, towns, cities, and borders labeled. Italy is divided according to its many city-states, including the Kingdom of Naples, the Papal States, Florence, Genoa, Venice, and more. Parts of France, Switzerland, Austria, Slovenia, and Croatia are visible and detailed.

A decorative cartouche is included, and a shell contains a scale bar in Italian and French miles. The cartouche includes a short note about Tavernier's publishing business and his allegiance to the King of France.

Seventeenth-century Italy was still a long way from unification. The Thirty Years War, which would finish eight years after the completion of this map, placed large economic pressure on the peninsula. Many city-states were controlled by European powers, including Naples by Spain and parts of northern Italy by the Holy Roman Empire. Several wars would repeatedly alternate this foreign control of the city-states.

Detailed Condition: