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Geographia moderna de tutta la Italia : con le sue regioni citta castelli monti laghi fiumi mari golfi porti capi et isole che in esse si ritrouano con le circonuicine al golfo di venetia per maggiori lucidatione dell'Italia

Stock#: 75334
Map Maker: Duchetti
Date: 1582
Place: Rome
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 19.75 x 15.5 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

One of Two Known Examples Private Hands.

First state of this exemplary Lafreri School map of Italy and the surrounding region, published in Rome by Claudio Duchetti in 1582. This map shows the Italian peninsula with a number of cities, towns, toponyms, and other geographical features and is decorated in the attractive Italian 16th-century style.

This map is based on the 1561 Gastaldi map and incorporates elements from a 1567 Bertelli-Zenoi creation. This is the first Roman reprint of Gastaldi's defining work and this Duchetti map served as the basis for all later Roman maps of Lafreri maps of Italy.

The map is very attractive, containing a number of decorative elements including six sailing ships, a compass rose, title cartouche, and a stippled sea. Hills are shown rounded, typical of Italian cartography from the 1500s. A host of cities and towns are named. Corsica, part of Sardinia, the French Riviera, and the western Balkans are shown.

The map includes a host of interesting features. For example, at the bottom of the map, Mt. Etna is showed in vivid eruption. It is here given its traditional Italian name of Mongibello, meaning beautiful mountain. Though not mentioned in a legend, bishoprics are indicated with a spiral symbol. Venice is shown in its lagoon.



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In all, a very attractive and desirable map.

Rarity

This is one of two examples of the map in private hands, as recorded by Bifulco and Ronca's extremely extensive census.

Detailed Condition:

Trimmed to neatline. Very minor staining around Florence. Pencil underlining in the title block (could be erased).