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Stock#: 82336
Map Maker: Schedel
Date: 1493
Place: Nuremberg
Color: Hand Colored
Condition: VG+
Size: 20 x 14 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

An engaging early depiction of the city of Magdeburg, featured in the Latin edition of Hartmann Schedel's *Liber Chronicarum* (Nuremberg Chronicle), a seminal work of the 15th century.

This striking view of Magdeburg provides a fascinating glimpse into the urban landscape of the late 15th century. The *Liber Chronicarum*, published in 1493, was an ambitious project that sought to chronicle the history of the world from creation to the then-present day. Hartmann Schedel, a German humanist scholar, and physician, collaborated with the skilled artists Michael Wolgemut and Wilhelm Pleydenwurff to produce the richly illustrated manuscript. The Nuremberg Chronicle is esteemed for its woodcut illustrations, which include city views, portraits, and historical scenes, making it a significant work in the history of printing and cartography.

The presented view of Magdeburg showcases the architectural and urban planning characteristics of the late medieval period. Magdeburg, an important city in the Holy Roman Empire, was known for its strategic location on the Elbe River and its prominent role in trade and commerce. The woodcut illustration captures the city's walls, churches, towers, and the bustling life within its boundaries, evoking a vivid sense of the city's historical and cultural significance.

As an artifact from the Latin edition of the *Liber Chronicarum*, this view of Magdeburg is an invaluable piece of history, offering insight into the artistic and intellectual achievements of the 15th century.

Detailed Condition: