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Tabula Africae IIII

Stock#: 9478
Map Maker: Ruscelli
Date: 1561
Place: Venice
Color: Uncolored
Condition: VG
Size: 10 x 7 inches
Price: SOLD



Description:

Ruscelli's map of the region bounded by the Mediterranean, Aethiopia Interior, the Canarie Islands, Asia Minor, Judia, the Red Sea, the Persian Gulf, Arabia Felix and the Nile, to its source. Latin text on the verso. Somewhat weak impression. Ruscelli's Atlas is an expanded edition of Gastaldi's Atlas of 1548, which has been called the most comprehensive atlas produced between Martin Waldseemüller's Geographiae of 1513, and the Abraham Ortelius Theatrum of 1570. Ruscelli and Gastaldi's maps were beautifully engraved on copper, marking a turning point in the history of cartography. From that point forward, the majority of cartographic works used this medium. As it was a harder material than wood it gave the engraver the ability to render more detail. Gastaldi sought the most up-to-date geographical information available, making the modern maps in Ruscelli's Geographia among the best modern maps of the period. Normally, a \$400.00 map.

Detailed Condition: