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[Virginia Native Americans : A chief Lord of Roanoac] Nobilis Matrona ex Secota

Stock#: 98822

Map Maker: De Bry

Date: 1590

Place: Frankfurt

Color: Hand Colored

Condition: VG

Size: 9 x 9 inches

Price: SOLD



Description:

Virginia Indian Noblewomen

Fine copperplate engraving showing Theodore De Bry's version of John White's painting of two American Indians noblewomen. They face each other, while canoes can be seen in the distance. Below, Latin text describes the scene.

In 1585, Governor John White was part of a voyage from England to the Outer Banks of North Carolina under a plan by Sir Walter Raleigh to settle "Virginia." White was at Roanoke Island for about thirteen months before returning to England for more supplies. During this period he made a series of over seventy watercolor drawings of indigenous people, plants, and animals. The purpose of his drawings was to give those back home an accurate idea of the inhabitants and environment in the New World.

The earliest images derived from White's original drawings were made in 1590 when Theodor De Bry



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made engravings from White's drawings to be printed in Thomas Hariot's account of the journey. Hariot, a mathematician, had also been part of the 1585 voyage.

Detailed Condition: