



ORTELIUS'S LANDMARK MAP OF CHINA

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Chinae, olim Sinarum regionis, nova descriptio. auctore Ludovico Georgio.

Cartographer [ORTELIUS, Abraham.](#)

Date 1608

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Publication: Antwerp, 1608-12, Italian text edition.

Original colour. 370 x 470mm.

Condition: Laid on canvas to reinforce verdigris weaknesses.

DESCRIPTION:

The most decorative map of China. Oriented with north to the right, there are cartouches for the title, scale and privilege; on the map are elephants, Tartar tents and land-yachts. Japan has an extra landmass to the east, with its further reaches hidden by the scale cartouche. The Philippines appear, but with little accuracy or detail; they were not even named until the second state (c.1588).