



The scarce second Galle plate for Africa used in the 'Epitome'

ORTELIUS, Abraham.
Africa.

Antwerp, Plantin Press for Filips Galle, 1598, First Edition, French text. 80 x 105mm.

£350

A fine example of the second plate of Africa prepared for Philippe Galle's version of the Ortelius 'Epitome du Theatre du Monde'. This second Ortelius-Galle plate is relatively uncommon, only appearing in five editions in as many years (1598-1603). Vrients purchased the plates for both this atlas and the competing Ortelius-Coignet version, preferring to publish the latter.

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