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A 16TH CENTURY PLAN OF TUNIS BESIEGED BY THE SPANISH IN 1535

£1,500.00

... Città di Tunesi ...

Cartographer	FORLANI, Paolo.
Date	1566
Stock #:	25209
Publication:	Venice: Bolognino Zaltieri, 1566. 270 x 390mm.
Condition:	Tear in top margin taped.

DESCRIPTION:

A bird's-eye view of Tunis, orientated with north to the bottom, showing the city under siege by Holy Roman Emperor Charles V. The harbour and approaches are filled with European galleons and galleys, with Ottoman camps and batteries around the city. Also marked are the ruins of Carthage and the location of a ruined aqueduct.

The map was engraved by Paolo Forlani from a map by Agostino de Musi published shortly after the siege. This version was published during renewed Ottoman activity in the area: in 1569, less than three years later, Occhiali, the Italian admiral of the Ottoman navy, retook the city.