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16TH CENTURY WOODCUT MAP OF ASIA ACCORDING TO PTOLEMY

£500.00

[Untitled Ptolemaic map of Asia]

Cartographer HONTER, Johannes.

Date 1546

Stock #: 24769

Publication: Zurich, c.1546. Woodcut, printed border 125

x 155mm.

Condition: Old ink annotation in Caspian Sea.

DESCRIPTION:

A Ptolemaic map of Asia showing from Turkey and Arabia east to the Ganges and north to the supposed kingdoms of the Hyperboreans and Anthropophagi. It was engraved by Honter and published in his 'Rudimenta Cosmographica', a cosmography for schools written in verse because Honter believed it would make the text easier to remember.

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