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JOHN SPEED'S FAMOUS MAP OF ASIA

£2,750.00

Asia with the Islands Adioyning described, the atire of the people & Townes of importance, all of them newly augmented by J:S: Ano. Dom: 1626.

Cartographer	SPEED, John.
Date	1676
Stock #:	23982
Publication:	London: Thomas Bassett & Richard Chiswell, 1676. Coloured. 390 x 510mm.
Condition:	A few small repairs.

DESCRIPTION:

A decorative map of Asia, engraved by Abraham Goos for Speed's 'Prospect of the Most Famous Parts of the World', the first English atlas of the world.

Along the top are eight city prospects: Kandy (Sri Lanka), Goa, Damascus, Jerusalem, Hormuz, Bantam, Aden and Macao. Down the sides are ten costume vignettes. On verso is an English text, 'The Description of Asia', containing a mixture of fact and amusing myth.