



16th century Dutch map of the British Isles

ORTELIUS, Abraham.

Angliae, Scotiae, et Hiberniae, Sive Britannicar: Insularum Descriptio.

Antwerp: 1585, Latin edition. Original colour with additions. 345 x 500mm.

£1,600

A very fine example of this classic collector's map of the British Isles, published in the 'Theatrum Orbis Terrarum', regarded as the first modern atlas. The map was oriented with north to the right so that the map fitted the sheet of paper, as it predates the convention of north to the top.

SHIRLEY: British Isles 1477-1650, 86 - 'more sophisticated and ebullient style of engraving';
VAN DEN BROECKE: 16, state 3 of 3.

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