



Early woodblock map of Sri Lanka

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 Taprobana.

Venice, c.1534. Woodcut, image size 195 x 150mm, set in a page of Italian text.

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The semi-mythical island of Taprobana, based on the hearsay of the Red Sea traders that supplied the Romans with cinnamon from Sri Lanka. Published in the 'Libro de Tutte le Isole del Mondo', with six editions between 1528-1562.

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