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Classic 16th century map of Italy

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Italiae Novissima Descriptio Auctore Jacobo Castaldo Pedemontano.

Antwerp, 1598, French text edition. Coloured, 360 x 510mm.

£1,200

A fine map of Italy after Giacomo Gastaldi, filled with decorative detail, including a large vignette of a merman and mermaid and a sphinx on the scale cartouche. This example is printed from the second of two plates, with the mer-couple in a far less intimate embrace.

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