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17th century map of Russia

HONDIUS, Henricus.

Novissima Russiae Tabula Authore Isaaco Massa.

Amsterdam: Jan Jansson, c.1640. Coloured. 470 x 570mm.

£750

Map of Russia after Isaac Massa (1586-1643) a Dutch merchant who travelled to Moscow. It also covers Scandinavia, Livonia and Lithuania, areas in which Holland had significant business interests. In the south east the Caspian Sea is still of uncertain shape, despite been reached by Alexander the Great nearly two millennia before.

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