



Early maps of Cadiz and the Azores, with the mythical island 'Brazil'

BORDONE, Benedetto.  
 [The Azores] [&] [Cadiz]

Venice, 1528. Original colour. Two woodcuts on one sheet, printed area of each 85 x 145mm, set in text.

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A sheet from Bordone's 'Isolario', a book describing the islands of the world, with a woodcut map on each side. Included among the Azores is the island of 'Brazil' which, according to Irish legend, was only visible once every seven years and even then was unreachable.

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