



Jansson's rare carte à figures map of Denmark

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Daniae Regni Typum Potentissimo Invictissimoq. D. Christiano, Daniae, Norvegiae, Gotthorum Vandalorum Regi, lubens offert. 1629.

Amsterdam, 1630. Original colour. 465 x 540mm.

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A very fine example of this scarce map of Denmark, engraved by Pieter van der Keere for Jansson. The vignette borders have eight city prospects (Copenhagen, Helsingor, Landskrona, Ribe, Schleswig, Hamburg, Lubeck & Oldenburg), along the top and bottom, split by the Royal Arms and a portrait of Tycho Brahe. Ten costumes run down the sides; the corners have portraits of Christian IV and his heir Prince Frederick, and views of Kronburg Castle (which was badly damaged by fire later in 1629) and Brahe's observatory at Uraniborg. This map was first published in an appendix to the 'Atlantis Majoris' in 1630, without text as this example, but because of the size of the map (this example has the bottom prospects folded up) it was not suitable for inclusion in the standard atlases. Instead Jansson continued to use the Mercator map of 1595, re-engraving it in 1636 and finally published a new, less ornate map in 1645.

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