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Uncommon 17th century panelled map of the Holy Land

JANSSON, Jan.

Palestina sive Terrae Sanctae Descriptio.

Amsterdam: Jan Jansson van Waesberge, c.1677, blank verso. Old colour. Size: 440 x 570mm.

£3,500

A very fine example of one of the most decorative maps of the Holy Land, based on Adrichom and orientated with north to the left, with 18 inset scenes from Genesis, Exodus & Numbers, and a nineteenth depicting Jesus approaching Jerusalem on the donkey. This map did not appear in many atlases, supplanted by Henricus Hondius's less decorative but more contemporary map. As this example has no text it is likely to have been published in Georg Horn's atlas of the ancient world, issued by Jansson's son-in-law.

LAOR: 372; NEBENZAHL: p119, plate 43, 'impressive'.

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