



Ruscelli's map of Germany according to Ptolemy, First State

RUSCELLI, Girolamo.
 Tabula Europae IIII.

Venice: Vincenzo Valgrisi, c.1561, First State. 185 x 265mm.

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A copper-engraved edition of Ptolemy's map of Germany and Denmark, decorated with various native animal species roaming the eastern parts. It was published in Ruscelli's 'La Geographi di Claudio Tolomeo'. A feature of this First State is that there is no platemark at the top: two maps were engraved on the same plate and the resulting sheet halved. Later the plate was cut in two.

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