



A superb 16th century map of Denmark

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Danorum Marca, vel Cimbricum, aut Daniae Regnum...

Cologne, c.1588, Latin text edition. Original colour. 390 x 470mm.

£2,000

A fine example of one of the most decorative maps of Denmark, taken from Jordan's map of Denmark of 1585, which includes Schleswig and Holstein. The dedication is to Heinrich, Graf von Rantzau (1526-98), Governor of Holstein, historian and patron of Jordan and Tycho Brahe. He was a regular correspondent with both Gerard Mercator and Braun & Hogenberg; it is this link that accounts for this map being the only country map in Braun & Hogenberg's 'Civitates Orbis Terrarum', the first series of printed town plans. The cartouches, galleons, sea-monsters and allegorical figures make this a classic collector's map.

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