



A French edition of an important map of Northern India

THEVENOT, Melchisedec.

Description de la partie des Indes orientales qui est sous la dominations du grand Mogol.

Paris, c.1666. Coloured. 280 x 365mm.

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An early map of the Mughal Empire, covering northern India and extending to Kabul in Afghanistan. Top right is an approximation of the seal of Emperor Jahangir (reigned 1605-27), and roundels containing his name and his predecessors, including Timur, better known in the West as Tamerlane the Great. This is a copy of a map by English explorer William Baffin, engraved by J. de His for Thevenot's 'Relations de divers Voyages Curieux'. Baffin drew his map after a chance encounter with Sir Thomas Roe, the first English ambassador to the Mughal court at Agra, where he spent three years.

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