



One of the earliest maps of South America

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Peruvia id est Novi Orbis pars Meridionalis à praescantissima eius in Occidente, regione sic appellata. 1598.

Cologne: Johann Bussemacher, 1600, German text edition. Coloured. 205 x 270mm.

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A map of South America after Ortelius's third plate of the Americas, which removed the extra bulge on the south west coast. A vignette of Magellan's ship, the Victoria, fills the Pacific (with a text copied from Ortelius's Pacific map) and a large Terrae Australis crosses the bottom of map. In the bottom right is a text describing Cabral's discovery of Brazil in 1500, calling it 'The Land of Parrots'. The map was engraved by Johann Bussemacher for Quad's 'Geographisch Handtbuch'. A Latin-text version, 'Fasciculus Geographicus', was published in 1608.

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