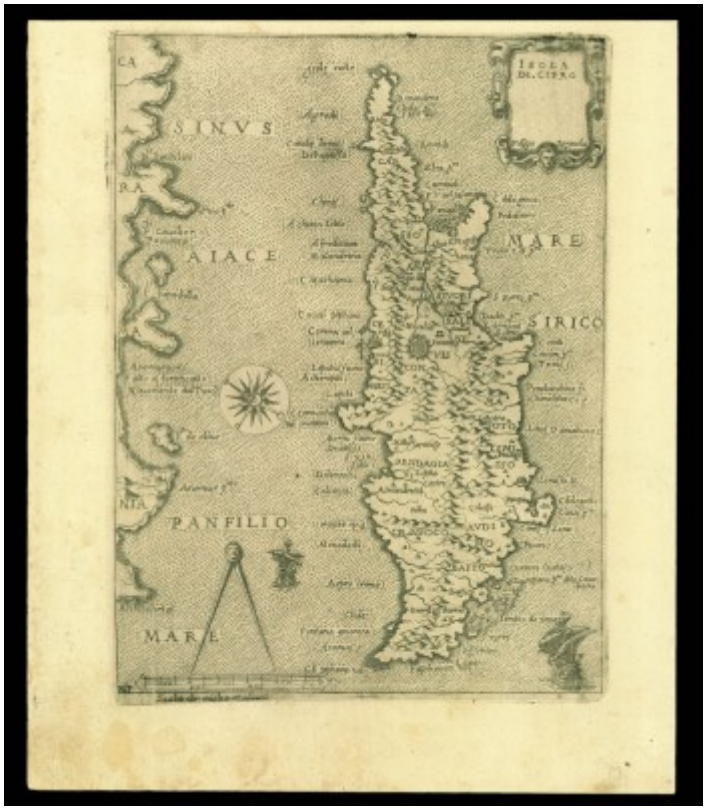


Engraved map.

BONIFACIO CYPRUS

Isola di Cipro.

Author
BONIFACIO, Natale

Publication date
c.1568.

Publisher

Publication place
Venice,

Physical description
Engraved map.

Dimensions
155 by 205mm. (6 by 8 inches).

Notes
This map of Cyprus was printed as a single sheet by Natale Bonifacio, whose monogram appears at the bottom left. The cartography is attributed to a Venetian mapmaker, Felice Brunello, about whom very little is known. Although it is undated, Bonifacio published a series of maps showing Aegean and Ionian islands from 1567 to 1568, indicating that this map was published around then.

Natale Bonifacio (1537-1592) was a Dalmatian engraver, publisher and cosmographer, who worked

in Venice from c.1570-74 and then in Rome from 1575-91. He was a member of the Virtuosi del Pantheon and the Confraternity of San Girolamo degli Illirici. Bonifacio specialised in maps, antiquities, devotional and didactic subjects.

Very rare; there is a single institutional example at the Bayerisches Staatsbibliothek. One example was sold as part of a composite Lafreri atlas at Sotheby's, London in 1991 for £3,850, and another was sold individually at Sotheby's, London in 1993 for £1,782.

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