

Double page engraved map.

DE JODE'S RARE MAP OF ZEELAND

Zelandia.

Author

JODE, Gerard de

Publication date

1578].

Publisher

Publication place

[Antwerp,

Physical description

Double page engraved map.

Dimensions

362 by 487mm. (14.25 by 19.25 inches).

Notes

De Jode's first map of Zeeland.

De Jode's atlas 'Speculum Orbis Terrarum' was first published in 1578 by Gerard de Jode (1509-1591) with text by Daniel Cellarius. It was designed to compete with Abraham Ortelius' atlas, 'Theatrum Orbis Terrarum', which had been published eight years earlier. Ortelius used his influence to disrupt de Jode's application for a royal privilege. By the time this was finally granted,

seven years after the publication of the 'Theatrum', Ortelius' work had become so popular that de Jode's atlas did not sell well, despite the accuracy and clarity of his maps.

Although sales of de Jode's work were less than ideal, the atlas was evidently held in high regard, with several contemporaries citing its importance alongside the atlases of Mercator and Ortelius. Few examples of either edition of the 'Speculum' have survived, making the maps within a rarity.

Bibliography

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