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SPECTACULAR COMPOSITE ATLAS INCLUDING ALLARDT'S RARE AND WONDERFUL CHART OF "OOST INDIEN"

Atlas minor sive totius orbis terrarum contracta delineata.

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Physical description

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Dimensions

Notes

A magnificent composite atlas with wonderful original rich colour heavily embellished in oil and gold.

Of note is the inclusion of Mortier's impressive chart of the Mediterranean, with its beautifully rendered floral garlands and the 38 vignettes of Mediterranean cities.

In addition to these, and the maps by Visscher are 27 by F. De Wit, 26 of J. Blaeu, 7 by J. Janssonius, three by C. Allard, two by H. Jaillot, and one each by G. Valck, G. Mercator, J. De Ram, J. Robyn, J. Van Loon, and J. B. Labanna.

The atlas includes two maps of the world: Visscher's own, and the wonderful planisphere "Unicum Planisphaerium Totius Orbis Terrarum Completum" printed by H. Doncker after Luchtenburg; map of the North Pole; maps of Iceland; Russia; Scandinavia (4); Lithuania; Poland; Prussia; Germany; Lower Saxony; Brandenburg; Mecklenburg; Holstein; Bremen; Braunschweig; Saxony; Anhalt; Meissen; Thuringia; Bohemia; Austria; Carinthia; Bavaria (4); Franconia; Wuerttemberg; Switzerland (2); Basel; Zurich; Aargau; Trent; Alsace (3); Swabia; Rhineland-Palatinate; Rhine-Mosel-Area; Frankfurt; Lower Rhine; Trier; Nassau; Hesse; Westphalia; Paderborn; Kleve; Cologne; Holland and Belgium (31); Luxembourg (van der Vekene 3.01 a: engraved by G. Van der Gouwen, plate signed with "Villae, Censes, Pagthoven"); Brabant (3); Limburg; Antwerp; Brussels; Flanders (8); Rhine (upper and lower reaches); Amsterdam (torn at hinge with slight adhesion damage at foot)' Great Britain (7); France (9); Spain and Portugal (5); Canary Islands; Mediterranean; Savoy (3); Italy (6); Sicily; Malta; Greece; Hungary; Turkey; Asia; Palestine; Batavia (with image), Ceylon, China, 4 more detailed maps of Asia, Africa (7), America (8, including Visscher's famous view of New York); South Pole.

Bibliography

cf. Koeman III, 166 ff., vis 12 - 19; Phillips 506 - 509; cf. Schilder, *Australia Unveiled*, p.202 (pl.XLIV); Koeman IV, p. 387; Tooley, *Mapping of Australia*, 792.

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